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used to - would

solevo

Sia "used to" che "would" si possono usare per descrivere azioni che si ripetevano nel passato.

"Would" è più formale, ed è più usato in linguaggio letterario.

- > When I was I little boy we **used to** live in the countryside.
(Quando ero ragazzino *solevamo* abitare in campagna.)
- > On weekends my brother and I **used to** go running in the woods.
- > In summer we **used to** swim in the river.
- > Our grandfather **used to** come with us.
- > While we swam, he **used to** fish in the river.
- > When we were teenagers we moved to a large city, and life changed completely. Often, my brother and I **used to** say to each other, "Do you remember how happy we **used to** be when we lived in the countryside?"
- > Mahatma Gandhi **would** often fast to bring attention to the mistreatment of the so-called untouchables.
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to fast = *digiunare*
untouchables = *intoccabili*
- > Gandhi **would** often say, "We should wipe away every tear from every eye".
(Gandhi *soleva* spesso dire, "Noi dovremmo asciugare ogni lacrima da ogni occhio.")