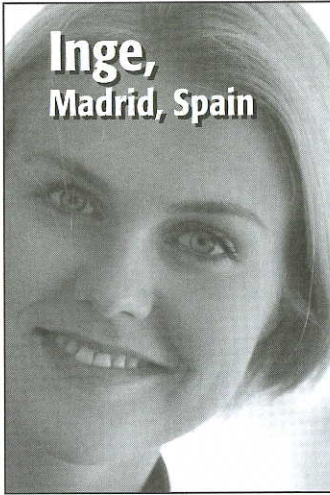


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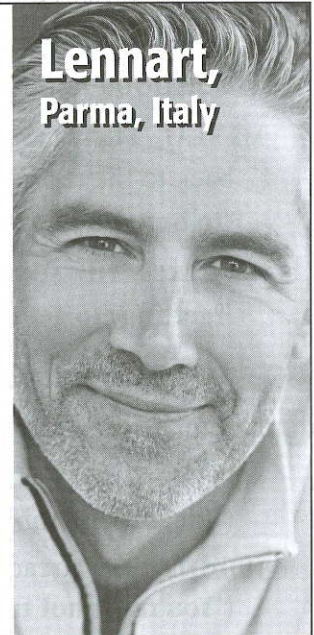


Inge,
Madrid, Spain

I come from Germany, and I ¹ used to live / **am used to living** in the north, in Hamburg, but then I moved to Madrid about five years ago. I had to ² **be used to / get used to** having lunch quite late, at about 2.00 p.m., and dinner as late as 9.00 or 10.00 p.m. I love the weather in Spain – there are more sunny days and it's a lot warmer. In Germany, things ³ **usually / use to** happen exactly on time but here things are much more relaxed. I like that too. The only thing I really miss is the bread! I ⁴ **was used to being able / was used to be able** to choose from between 20 or 30 different kinds of bread but here it's more like two or three, and white, not wholemeal. And sometimes I have problems with noisy neighbours, especially at night. That never ⁵ **used to be / was used to being** a problem in Hamburg. People there ⁶ **usually go / are used to going** to bed at 10.30 at the latest.

b Complete the text with *used to, am used to, get used to, or usually*.

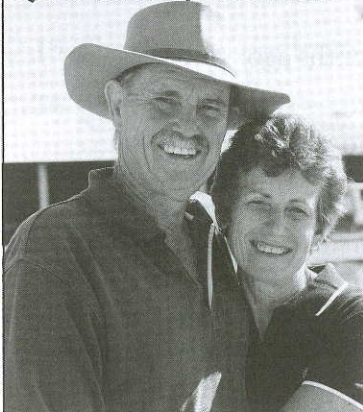
I ¹ used to live in Sweden, but now I live in Parma, Italy. I've been here for six years now so I ² _____ the lifestyle. Life is more hectic here than in Sweden. You also have a wider choice of things to do in your free time and I really enjoy that. I had to ³ _____ eating lots of pasta, particularly *tortelli*, which are Parma's local speciality. In Sweden I ⁴ _____ eat pasta once or twice a month, and now I ⁵ _____ have it once or twice a week! I also had to ⁶ _____ the different mentality. For example people here are very family-orientated. This was new to me and hard to understand at first. But now I ⁷ _____ having lunch every Sunday with my in-laws! It was also quite hard for me to ⁸ _____ the dialect they speak in Parma. I still sometimes have to ask people to repeat things. The only thing I can't ⁹ _____ is the coffee. I know, *espresso* is supposed to be the best coffee in the world, but it's just too strong for me. In Sweden I ¹⁰ _____ drink a lot of coffee, but it was much less strong. Still, I do love the smell.



Lennart,
Parma, Italy

c Complete the text with a verb from the list in the correct form.

Neil and Shirley,
Queensland, Australia



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We used to ¹ live in England but we've been living in Queensland, Australia, since 1997. We're used to ² _____ here now, but at first it was quite hard. We live in the country, and when we first moved into the house I just couldn't get used to ³ _____ snakes in the garden, but now it's not a problem. We just leave them alone. Although we speak the same language, there are still some things here that are strange. People here usually ⁴ _____ really early, at about 5.00 a.m., which we still haven't got used to. Christmas doesn't feel right either – I haven't got used to ⁵ _____ roast turkey in 40 degrees of heat!