2B With Flying Colours: Turning a Hobby into a Profession (Steven Spielberg), Expressing Preferences & Theme Idioms

Differentiates between 'used to + V1' and 'would + V1' when expressing past habits and states. · Comprehends the biographic journey of Steven Spielberg turning a filmmaking hobby into a legendary profession. · Applies theme idioms such as 'with flying colours' and expresses preferences using 'prefer' and 'would rather'.

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- The structure 'used to + V1' expresses past repeated habits or states that are no longer true today.
- The structure 'would + V1' describes past repetitive actions but cannot be used with stative verbs like 'be' or 'have'.
- The idiom 'with flying colours' indicates achieving success or passing an evaluation with great distinction.

1 EŞLEŞTİRME

Match the English structures and idioms with their accurate definitions.

USED TO + V1
Past Actions & Stative Verbs
(have, be, like)

WOULD + V1
Repeated Actions ONLY (Habits)
NO stative verbs

FLYING COLOURS
Idiom for High Distinction & Great Success

☐ 1. With flying colours

☐ 2. Used to + V1

☐ 3. Would + V1

☐ 4. Be used to + V-ing

a) Shows familiarity and comfort with a situation after regular practice.

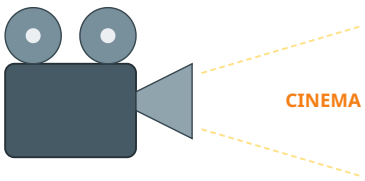
b) Expresses past repeated habits or states that are no longer true today.

c) To accomplish something with great success or achieve distinction.

d) Describes past repeated actions but cannot be used with stative verbs.

2 BOŞLUK DOLDURMA

Complete the sentences below by choosing the appropriate words from the vocabulary bank.



used to | would | be used to | flying colours

1. Steven passed his university entrance exams with _____ thanks to his dedication.
2. In his childhood, he _____ live in New Jersey before moving to Arizona.
3. Every summer evening, young Steven _____ project amateur short films on his living room wall.
4. Professional cinema directors must _____ working under intensive studio lighting.

3 ÇOKTAN SEÇMELİ

Which statement correctly explains why 'would' cannot replace 'used to' in 'Steven used to have an old 8mm camera'?

Grammar Rule: Stative Verbs in Past Habits

CORRECT (Used to)
Steven used to have an 8mm camera.

INCORRECT (Would)
Steven would have an 8mm camera.

(A) The verb 'have' indicates a state of possession, and 'would' cannot describe past stative conditions.

(B) The action happened only once in the past, so the past continuous tense is required instead.

(C) The subject of the sentence is a singular person, which makes the modal verb 'would' ungrammatical.

(D) The idiom requires a future auxiliary verb because the camera was used for shooting modern films.

4 ÇOKTAN SEÇMELİ · DÜŞÜN

What is the primary message of Steven Spielberg's biography regarding teenage hobbies?

Teenage Hobby
Boy Scout films
Family vacations
Passion & practice

→

Persistence
Universal Studio
Amblin' short film
First contract

→

Profession
Jaws, E.T.
Jurassic Park
Oscar Icon

(A) Amateur film projects must always follow strict studio regulations without personal creative input.

(B) Technical film education in renowned universities is the sole pathway to Hollywood recognition.

(C) Persistent practice and passion can transform an amateur childhood hobby into a world-class profession.

(D) Filmmakers should avoid using physical camera equipment and rely entirely on computerized effects.

5 AÇIK UÇLU

What does passing an examination 'with flying colours' signify in English?

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6 ÇOKTAN SEÇMELİ

Which sentence correctly illustrates expressing preferences between two creative activities?

(A) I would rather directing complex movies to write simple screenplays in my spare time.

(B) Young directors prefer filming authentic scenes on location to creating artificial studio sets.

(C) She prefers to editing raw video footages than attending glamorous red-carpet film festivals.

(D) They would rather to work independently on low-budget films instead of corporate contracts.

7 BOŞLUK DOLDURMA

Fill in the blanks with the correct cinema terms from the word bank.

cinema | director | passion | profession

1. Steven Spielberg is widely celebrated as an iconic _____ in cinematic history.
2. Turning an artistic childhood hobby into a lifelong _____ requires persistence.
3. Classical moviegoers enjoy the communal atmosphere of the local _____ hall.
4. Genuine creative _____ inspires storytellers to overcome financial obstacles.

8 ÇOKTAN SEÇMELİ · DÜŞÜN

What technical innovation characterized Spielberg's early blockbuster 'Jaws'?

(A) Replacing all real human actors with computerized puppets and recorded robotic voices.

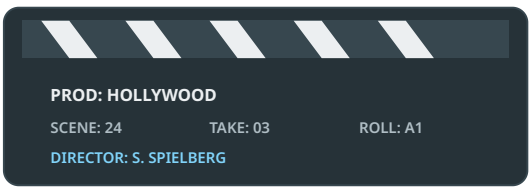
(B) Eliminating musical orchestral accompaniment completely to maintain silence in all scenes.

(C) Creating profound suspense through John Williams' iconic musical leitmotif and subjective camera angles.

(D) Distributing printed comic book illustrations directly to cinema audiences before the screening.

9 BOŞLUK DOLDURMA

Complete the sentences by selecting appropriate words from the cinema bank.



rehearse | script | award | studio

1. The actors gathered on the set to _____ the dramatic confrontation scene.
2. The major production _____ provided advanced sound stages and cameras.
3. A well-structured dramatic _____ serves as the bedrock of storytelling.
4. The film received the prestigious Academy _____ for groundbreaking visual effects.

10 EŞLEŞTİRME

Match the film industry terms with their accurate operational roles.

PREFER + V-ing TO V-ing
I prefer directing to acting.
(General preference)

WOULD RATHER + V1 THAN V1
I would rather film than edit today.
(Specific preference)

☐ 1. Film Director

☐ 2. Screenwriter

☐ 3. Cinematographer

☐ 4. Sound Editor

a) Manages camera lighting, shot compositions, and optical color palettes.

b) Synchronizes orchestral scores, ambient noises, and vocal recordings.

c) Creates the written dialogue, dramatic plot, and character descriptions.

d) Visualizes the script, guides the cast, and oversees artistic production.

11 ÇOKTAN SEÇMELİ · DÜŞÜN

Which modal expression highlights a single challenging achievement rather than a general past ability?

COULD (General)
General past ability over a long period
"He could run fast."

WAS ABLE TO (Single)
One-time success in a difficult spot
"They were able to escape."

(A) Steven could operate simple projection machines effortlessly when he was ten years old.

(B) Young film enthusiasts could visit neighborhood theaters without paying high admission fees.

(C) Famous cinema critics could predict box office records by reviewing early festival posters.

(D) Despite severe stormy weather, the crew was able to finish shooting the final beach scene.

12 ÇOKTAN SEÇMELİ

Which sentence demonstrates the process of becoming accustomed to a new technical workflow?

GET USED TO
The ongoing process of adaptation
"I am getting used to it."

BE USED TO
Fully accustomed and comfortable
"She is used to noise."

(A) The young editor is slowly getting used to organizing digital footage on 4K editing monitors.

(B) He used to editing historical documentaries before he switched to digital animation studios.

(C) Cinema crews would getting used to early morning outdoor shoots during cold winter months.

(D) Experienced actors be used to memorizing twenty pages of script without technical rehearsals.

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