

1. Someone has tampered with my computer.

My computer has been tampered with.

2. People believe that Salvador Dali was slightly mad.

Salvador Dali is believed to have been slightly mad.

3. The police are questioning him about some earlier misdemeanors.

**He is being questioned about some ealier
misdemeanors.**

No one could account for the disappearance of the
jewels.

**The disappearance of the jewels couldn't
be accounted for .**

L'an dernier, on lui a décerné une médaille.

He was awarded a medal last year.

En ce moment, elle passe un entretien pour un poste de comptable.

She is being interviewed for a job as an accountant.

Cette question a dû être traitée lors de la dernière réunion, en tout cas c'est ce qu'on m'a dit.

This question must have been dealt with at the last meeting, at least that's what I've been told.

Vous étiez censé terminer ce travail pour la fin de la semaine dernière.

You were supposed to complete that job/task by the end of last week.

1. Autrefois, avant Galilée, on croyait que la terre
était au centre de l'univers.

Before Galileo, people used to think that the earth was the center of the universe.

Before Galileo, the earth was believed to be the center of the universe .

2. Il n'est pas habitué à ce qu'on le regarde de haut.

He's not used to being looked down on.

USED TO DO STH vs. TO BE USED TO DOING STH (voir V35)

- **USED TO = past habit**

I used to work at night when I was young.

Question → did you use to work at night?

Négation → I didn't use to work at night.

other examples :

- I used to smoke a lot.

- I used to be very mean.

⇒ which means I no longer am.

- **TO BE USED TO STH / TO DOING STH = to be ACCUSTOMED to sth / to doing sth**

If you are used to something, you are familiar with it because you have done it or experienced it many times before.

I am not used to hot climates.

I am used to getting up at 5.

I'm not used to being given orders.

To GET used to doing sth = s'habituer à

→ Don't worry, you'll soon get used to it.

→ He finally got used to having his sleep interrupted.

On dit que le nouveau directeur est très autoritaire.

Allegedly, the new manager is very strict.

The new manager is said to be very strict.

3. On m'a piqué mes essuie-glaces.

I've had my windshield wipers stolen.

**Someone has pinched my windshield
wipers.**