ANSWER KEY WITH EXPLANATIONS

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Explanations

1. **(Please note: The following questions are part of a cloze test. They are interrelated, meaning that the information provided in each question is connected to the others.)**
Pam used to _____ as a lawyer for a big law firm in Manhattan.
✔ **A) work**
We say **work as** + a job: **work as a lawyer**. Pam had a job at a law firm.

2. She used to _____ at 5 a.m. every morning.
✔ **D) get up**
Get up means to leave your bed in the morning. Pam left her bed very early, at 5 a.m.

3. She used to _____ at the office by 7.
✔ **B) arrive**
We say **arrive at** a place: **arrive at the office**. Pam got to work by 7 o'clock.

4. The hours were very long. She used to _____ sometimes why she decided to become a lawyer.
✔ **A) wonder**
Wonder why means to ask yourself a question. The hours were long, so Pam asked herself why she became a lawyer.

5. She used to _____ of becoming an actress.
✔ **C) dream**
We say **dream of** + -ing: **dream of becoming an actress**. It was something Pam really wanted.

6. Pam's husband Paul used to _____ dinner for them every night.
✔ **D) cook**
Cook dinner means to make the evening meal. Paul made dinner **for them**.

7. Pam used to _____ dinner at 9 o'clock, when she arrived home.
✔ **A) eat**
Paul cooked, and Pam **ate** dinner at 9 o'clock when she got home.

8. Every night, she complained about her job to Paul. One night, Paul asked, "Didn't you use to _____ to be an actress?" Pam said she did.
✔ **A) want**
We say **want to be**: **want to be an actress**. Paul remembered Pam's old dream.

9. Paul suggested they move to Hollywood so Pam could pursue that old dream. Paul and Pam moved to Hollywood. Pam found work playing a lawyer on a TV show. She's much happier now. Sometimes people ask Pam, "Did you use to _____ a lawyer?"
✔ **C) be**
We say **be** + a job: **be a lawyer**. Not **work**, because we say **work as a lawyer**.

10. She replies, "Yes, and when I was a real lawyer, I used to _____ a lot. Now that I play one on TV, I'm much happier!"
✔ **C) complain**
Complain means to say you are unhappy about something. Pam complained about her job every night.

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