

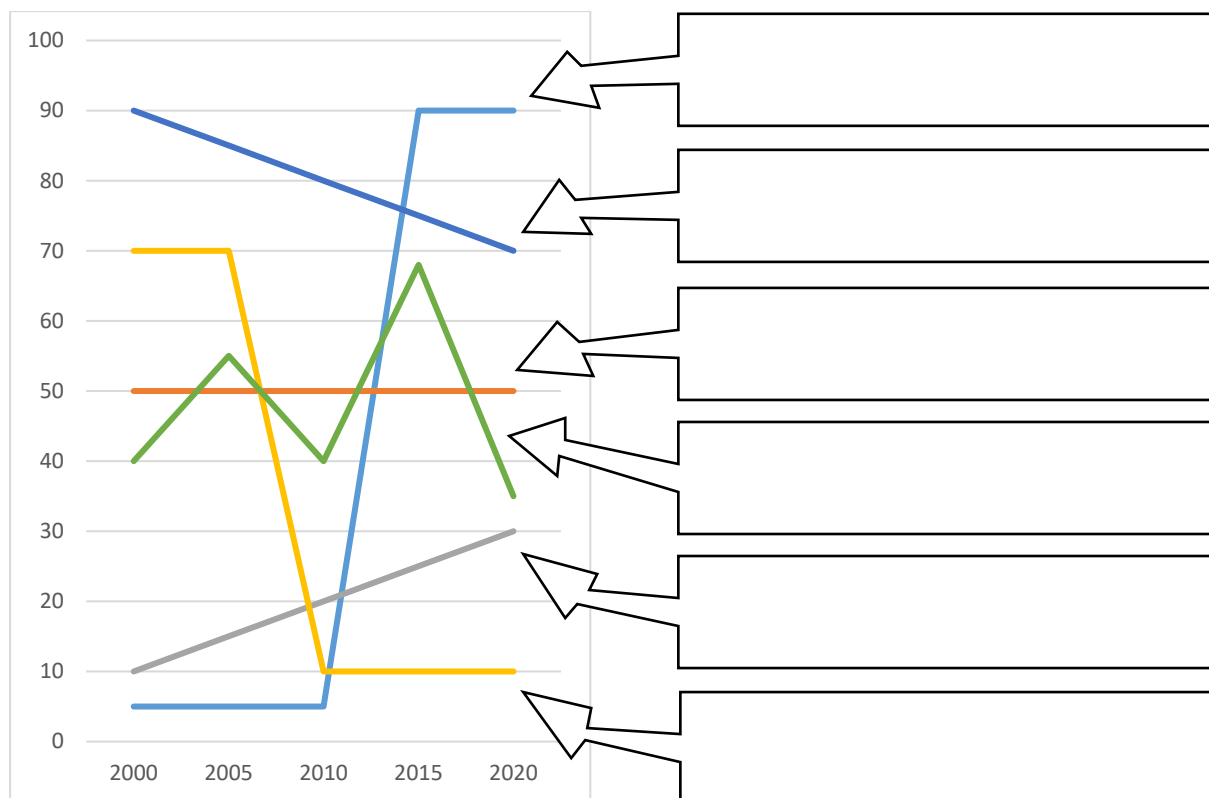
Describing Change

A. How have these activities changed over time? Discuss with a partner.

1. Watching videos
2. Listening to music
3. Using the internet
4. Owning mobile phones

B. Match the phrases in the box with the correct line on the graph.

stay the same	fluctuate	decrease gradually	fall dramatically	rise steadily
rise sharply	decrease considerably	increase significantly	remain constant	
decrease suddenly	increase rapidly	be inconsistent	fall abruptly	rise slightly



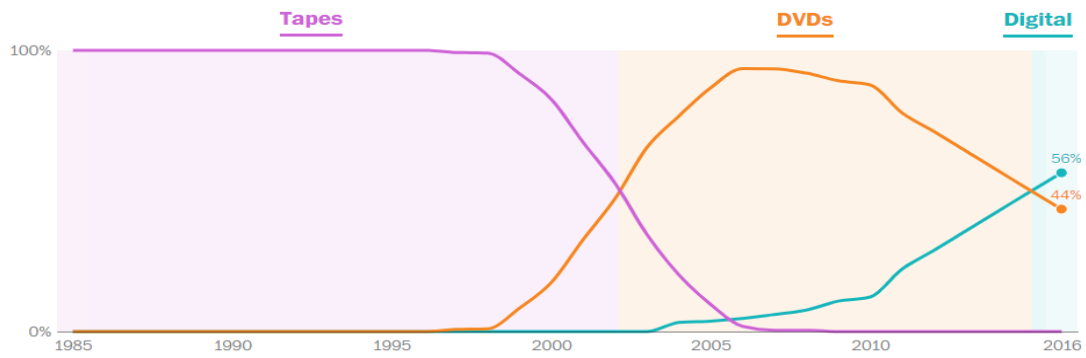
C. What parts of the graph can these verbs describe?

level out	reach a peak	bottom out	skyrocket
stabilize	soar	decline	surge

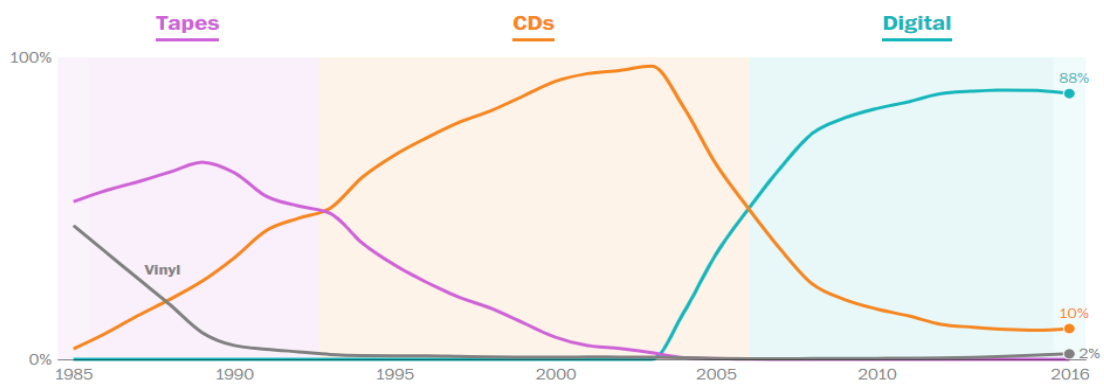
D. The graphs show the trends from **A** according to surveys of the US public. Describe the graphs using the language from **B** and **C**.

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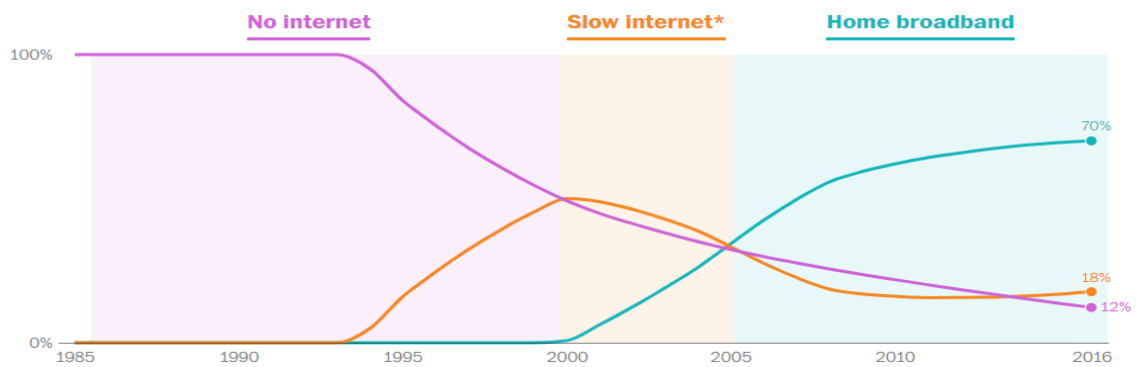
How did people watch videos?



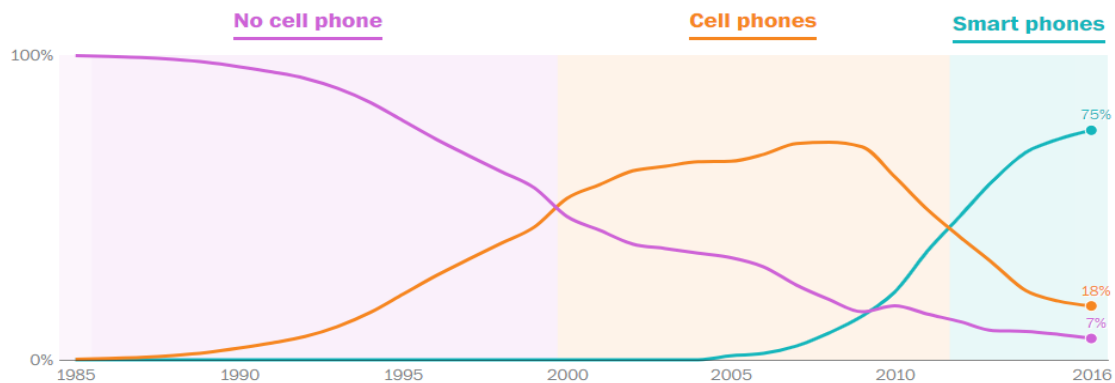
How did people listen to music?



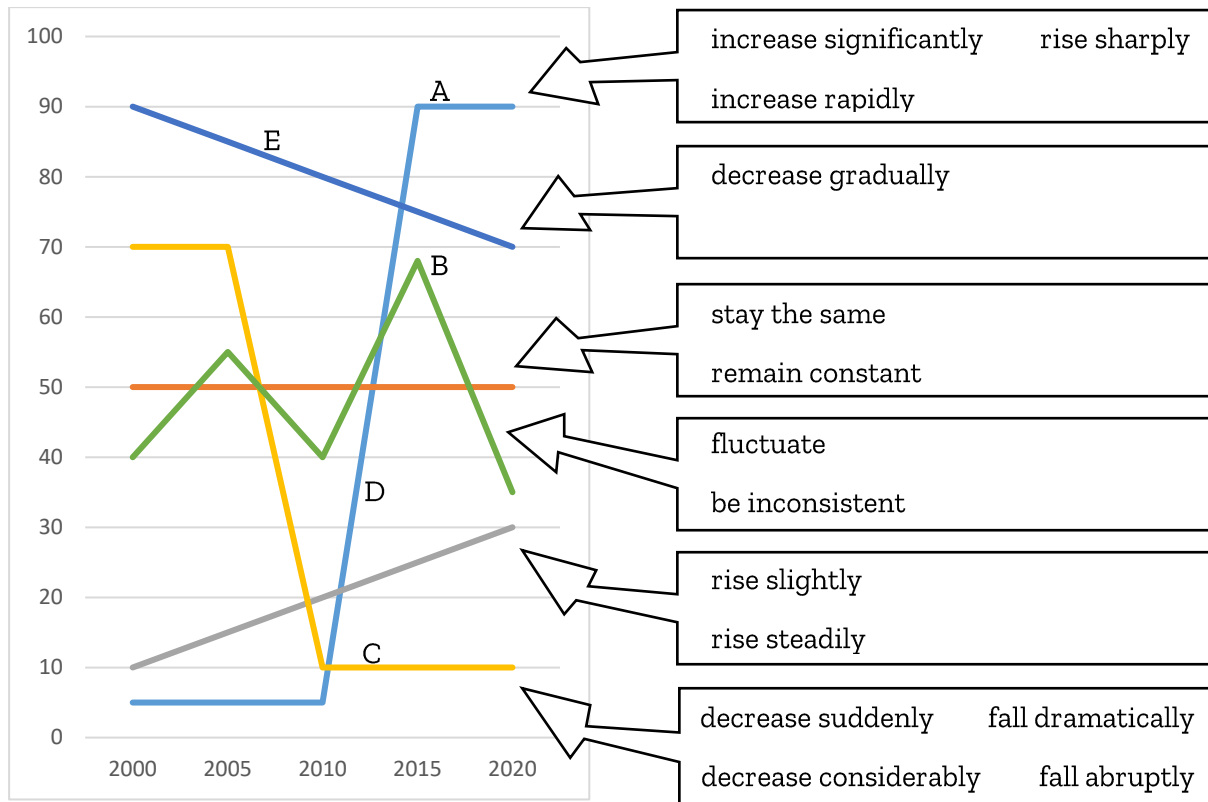
How did people use the internet?



Did people have mobile phones?



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ANSWER KEY
B.

C.

- A. level out, stabilize
- B. reach a peak
- C. bottom out
- D. skyrocket, soar, surge
- E. decline