Exercise 1 – Past Simple Focus. Complete the sentences.

Example:

When the police (arrive), the car (go).

*- When the police **arrived,** the car **had** gone.*

1. They.....(eat) everything by the time I..... (arrive) at the party.

2. When I..... (find) my purse, someone.....(take) the money out of it.

3. By the time I..... (get) into town, the shops..... (close).

4. When they..... (get) to the station, the train ..... (leave).

5. By the time you ..... (get) her letter, she..... (arrive) in Paris.

6. The police..... (pay) no attention to Clare's complaint because she ..... (phone) them so many times before.

7. I..... (go) to the post office to ask about my package, but they..... (say) that it..... (not arrive) yet.

8. When I..... (look) at the new dress for half an hour, I..... (ask) how much it..... (cost).

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