

# PAST SIMPLE or PAST PERFECT?

## CHOOSE THE CORRECT OPTION

1.- When Anne **opened/had opened** the door, she realized that somebody **broke/had broken** into.
2.- Elisa was very upset because her computer **disappeared/had disappeared** yesterc
3.- My cousin **promised/had promised** me to bring me a souvenir from France last mor
5.- By the time Julia **left**/had left the shop, she **spent/had spent** all her money on clo
6.- I didn't want to see that film because I **saw/had seen** it twice.
7.- Philip **tidied/had tidied** his bedroom before he **left/had left** for work.
8.- My husband **did/had done** the shopping after I **called/had called** him.
9.-Alfred **had worked**/worked in a bank for five years before he was sent to Rome.
10.-The judge said that she was guilty because she **took/had taken** the money for her





## WRITE PAST SIMPLE OR PAST PERFECT?

1.- Barbara ..... (live) in Greece for three years before she ..... (move) to Italy.
2.-My team ..... (not win) the football match because they ..... (play) badly.
3.-The teacher ..... (punish) the student because he ..... (be) very naughty.
4.-By winter, the new soap opera ..... (become) the most popular show on TV.
5.-He ..... (mug) three passengers by the time the police ..... (arrive)
6.-The pirates ..... (hijack) an enormous ship two months ago in Somalia.
7.-The captain of the ship .....(surrender) because he ..... (hate) violence.
8.-The journalist ..... (interview) the famous actress before the TV..... (come)
9.-Everyone ..... (leave) the train before the bomb ..... (explode)
10.- By the time my mum ..... (prepare) lunch, we ..... (lay) the table.





**Complete the text with verbs in brackets. Use Past Simple or Past Perfect:**

In March 1999, thieves ..... (steal) diamonds jewellery from Woolworth, a famous jewellery shop in Boston. The thieves were very smart. Before the robbery, they ..... (hide) in the building next door and ..... (cut) a hole through the wall.

They used it to get into the shop. By the time the guard at the entrance..... (see) them, they ..... (already/take) the very expensive jewellery from the safe.

A man from the neighbourhood ..... (hear) some noises in the shop and he ..... (
police but when they ..... (arrive) to the shop, the thieves ..... (escape)



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