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Exercise 29

Past Tense

Fill in the spaces with the correct form of the verb in parentheses in simple past perfect tense.

Note: All of the past participles used in this exercise are regular. (See note at exercise 28.)

Example: Vikings (invade) had invaded England long before the Angles and Saxons arrived.

1) Tonya (work) _____ _____ as a decorator before she opened her shop.
2) My daughter and I (enjoy) _____ _____ the ballet so much that we wanted to see it again.

3) The power supply (fail) _____ _____ during the night, so the house got cold.
4) You (call) _____ _____ earlier in the day, so we knew you were on your way.
5) The cat (scratch) _____ _____ a hole in the sofa before its owner noticed.
6) John and Nikki (start) _____ _____ their bakery long before the big one came to town.
7) The alligators at the edge of the pond (scare) _____ _____ us until we realized they were behind a fence.
8) The defense attorney (argue) _____ _____ before Judge Sanchez prior to last June's trial.
9) The trumpet player (finish) _____ _____ his solo before the trombonist stood up.
10) Mark (behave) _____ _____ well at the playground, so his mother bought him a treat.

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