

PAST PERFECT & CONNECTORS

USE	LINKING WORDS	TRANSLATION
Giving examples	For example/For instance	Por ejemplo
	Such as... (a list)	como
Adding information	And	y
	In addition/moreover/furthermore	Además (usar al principio de la oración)
	Besides	Además
	Also	También (después del sujeto)
	Too	También (al final de la oración)
	As well as	Así como
Summarizing/concluding	In conclusion	En conclusión
	In general	En general
	In short	En resumen
	Therefore	Por lo tanto
	To sum up	Para terminar
Sequencing ideas (essays)	To begin with	Para comenzar
	Firstly/secondly	En primer/segundo lugar
	Finally	Finalmente
	Lastly	Por último
Sequencing ideas (stories)	First	Primero
	After that	Después de eso
	Then	Entonces
	Next	Después
	Immediately	Inmediatamente
	While	Mientras
	The following day	Al día siguiente
	After that	Después
	Then	Entonces
	In the end	Al final
	Meanwhile	Mientras tanto
	Suddenly	De repente
	After a while	Al cabo de un rato
Giving a reason and expressing consequence	Because	Porque
	Because of	A causa de
	Since	Ya que/desde que
	As	Como
	So	Así que
	Therefore	por lo tanto, por consiguiente
Contrasting ideas	But	Pero
	However	Sin embargo (al inicio de la oración)
	Although	Aunque
	On the one hand -> on the other hand	Por un lado -> por otro
	Unlike	A diferencia de
	Despite	A pesar de

Connectors & examples

- **Even though** → I won't go to the party **even though** I was invited.
- **While** → **While** she was walking I was running.
- **When** → He had climbed many mountains **when** he was a boy.
- **So that** → You are very late **so that** we can not start the lesson.
- **Once** → **Once** I start I must continue.
- **After** → Mary arrived **after** Alex left.
- **Unless** → You don't need to go **unless** you want to.
- **Since** → **Since** I see you, I am better.
- **Whether** → I don't know **whether** she'll be admitted to the university.
- **Whereas** → I use water when making pasta **whereas** my mom uses eggs.
- **Even if** → **Even if** Alex earned a big salary, he would not buy a fast car.
- **Provided** → They can listen to music **provided** they disturb nobody.
- **Because** → We can not go on holiday, **because** we don't have enough money.
- **Rather than** → A company is stronger if it is bound by love **rather than** by fear.
- **Before** → **Before** I have breakfast, I always have a shower.
- **Wherever** → They can go **wherever** they want.
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COMPLETE THE SENTENCES WITH RIGHT CONNECTOR

1. She likes cats, she hates dogs.
2. You had never eaten fish,, you were eating it yesterday.
3. I didn't have enough money I had spent it all on sweets.
4. He bought a car,, he didn't have a driving licence.
5. Marina had bought a pizza, I didn't like it.
6. We have always spent summer at the beach my parents have an apartment there.
7. The boy had fell from the horse; he didn't cry.

Practice

1. Have you ever had these problems or other problems on holiday? What did you do?

- It rained all the time.
- You missed your plane / train / bus / ferry.
- The hotel wasn't very good.
- You couldn't find your bag at the airport.
- You got lost when you went sightseeing.
- Your family or friends couldn't agree on what to do.

2. Read a story about a holiday. Why wasn't the tourist happy with her room? What did she do?

Holiday Stories

I was in a foreign country for the first time in my life. It **had sounded** amazing in the brochure: 'Enjoy seven days in one of the most beautiful cities in the world while staying at a luxury hotel.'

I **had been** excited about the trip, **but** now I wasn't so sure. I **had waited** at reception for fifteen minutes before someone checked me in.

And my room was small and dark, with a window looking over a car park. I tried to be positive **and** I unpacked my bags. I decided to have a shower before going sightseeing. **However**, the shower wasn't working **so** I called hotel reception.

An hour later, an engineer arrived. He hit the pipes a few times. 'Sorry, **but** I cannot fix it today. Maybe, tomorrow.' **Then** he held out his hand. He wanted a tip for doing nothing! I was furious. **But** suddenly, I had a thought. He **hadn't fixed** my shower, **but** I gave him the money anyway. Two minutes later, I was at the reception desk. I explained the problem to the hotel manager **and** gave him a very large tip.

Fifteen minutes later, I moved into room 405.

It was twice the size of room 308, it had a wonderful view of the city, a comfortable bed and, most importantly, there was water in the bathroom.

3. Read the story again. Number the events (a-i) in the order they happened (1-9).

- a. gave the manager a tip
- b. arrived at the hotel
- c. the engineer looked at the shower
- d. gave the engineer a tip
- e. booked the holiday
- f. tried to turn on the shower
- g. called reception
- h. moved to room 405
- i. waited at reception

VOCABULARY HOLIDAY COLLOCATIONS

4. Complete the sentences with these verbs.

book - call - check in - give - stay - unpack

- a. I plan to **abroad** next year for the first time in my life.
- b. When did you **your holiday**?
- c. We hope to **at a hotel** in the centre of the city.
- d. We need to **at reception**.
- e. Let's **our bags** and then go sightseeing!
- f. Can you **reception** and ask someone to come and clean the room?
- g. Do you always **the waiter** a tip in this country?

5. Match these verbs to the groups of nouns.

book - get - go - rent - stay

- a. : on a tour, clubbing, diving.
- b. : at home, on a campsite, out all night.
- c. : a table (in a restaurant), a flight, a ticket.
- d. : a car, an apartment, skis.
- e. : 20 days' holiday per year, sunburned, lost.

GRAMMAR PAST PERFECT SIMPLE

► **PAST PERFECT SIMPLE**

- A. I **had been** excited about the trip, **but** now I **wasn't** so sure.
- B. He **hadn't fixed** my shower, **but** I **gave** him the money anyway.

Note: In informal English we often use 'd.

(I'd been = I had been)

6. Complete the sentences with past perfect

- a. We landed late in London so our connecting flight to Dubai (leave) and we had to stay at the airport hotel.
- b. When my sister reached Rome, her luggage (not arrive) and she spent an hour at lost luggage.
- c. We (not eat) for hours, but we finally arrived in the city centre and found a restaurant that was open.
- d. I realized I (lose) my passport as soon as I put my hand in my pocket.
- e. I (leave) my passport at home by mistake, so I had to go back.