

Test your knowledge on Simple Past and Past Perfect Simple.

I. Form

1.1 Write down the correct form (pronoun + verb).

	Simple Past	Past Perfect
I / drive		
he / not go		
they / fly?		
she / stop		
we / not study		

II. Use

2.1 Choose the correct form

1. We **gave** / **had given** away the flowers that we **picked** / **had picked**.
2. Wendy **sent** / **had sent** the letter that she **wrote** / **had written**.
3. The gardener **watered** / **had watered** the trees that he **planted** / **had planted**.
4. I **got** / **had got** into the taxi that my friend **called** / **had called** for me.
5. She **wanted** / **had wanted** to wear the jumper that her mum just **washed** / **had just washed**.

2.2 Write the verbs in the correct tense - simple past or past perfect.

1. Yesterday a boy(**destroy**) the snowman that we (**build**)
2. Jimmy (**tell**) us about the film that he (**see**) .
3. We (**find**) the mobile phone that Marwin (**lose**) .
4. He (**sing**) a song that I(**hear / never**) before.
5. Cathrine (**open**) the window that I(**just / close**) .

2.3 Tenses in the context

Put the verbs into the correct tense - simple past or past perfect.

The Pilgrims

1. In the 17th century, there(**be**) lots of religious tensions in England.
2. King James I(**not allow**) freedom of religion in England as he (**have**) problems with certain religious groups in the past.
3. That's why during his reign some people(**leave**) the country.
4. In September 1620 for example, members of the English Separatist Church (**go**) aboard the Mayflower to emigrate to America.
5. Before their journey to America, they(**live / already**) in Holland for a while.
6. Now on the Mayflower, storms(**make**) the journey to America difficult.
7. The Pilgrims only (**reach**) America after they (**sail**) the Atlantic for 66 days.
8. Because of the delay, the Pilgrims (**not build**) enough houses and they (**not collect**) enough food when winter(**begin**) .
9. By spring, half of the 100 Pilgrims (**die**) of hunger and cold.
10. But then, in March 1621, the Pilgrims (**meet**) the friendly Wampanoag tribe.
11. One member of the Wampanoag, Squanto, even(**know**) some English because several years before he(**spend**) some time in Europe.
12. The Wampanoag (**show**) the Pilgrims how to hunt and fish.
13. They also(**give**) the Pilgrims seeds to grow corn and beans.
14. After the Pilgrims (**harvest**) the food in autumn, they (**celebrate**) their good harvest with the Wampanoag.

This event is known today as the first Thanksgiving.