

## Past Simple vs. Past Perfect

2. Complete the sentences with either the **past simple** or **past perfect** of the verbs in brackets.



- a) **When** I \_\_\_\_\_ (come) home my mother  
\_\_\_\_\_ (already/cook) dinner.
- b) **By the time** she \_\_\_\_\_ (get) to the cinema her  
boyfriend \_\_\_\_\_ (already/buy) the tickets.
- c) She \_\_\_\_\_ (already/ study) German **before** she  
\_\_\_\_\_ (move) to Berlin.
- d) **When** they \_\_\_\_\_ (enter) the room the concert \_\_\_\_\_ (already / begin)
- e) My son only \_\_\_\_\_ (play) computer games **after** he \_\_\_\_\_ (finish) studying.
- f) I \_\_\_\_\_ (send) a message to my friends **before** I \_\_\_\_\_ (meet) them.
- g) They \_\_\_\_\_ (not have) much fun **by the time** Lauren \_\_\_\_\_ (arrive).
- h) He \_\_\_\_\_ (call) her four times **before** she \_\_\_\_\_ (answer) the phone.
- i) Jason \_\_\_\_\_ (find) a new job **when** he \_\_\_\_\_ (go) to London.
- j) **After** we \_\_\_\_\_ (pay) we \_\_\_\_\_ (leave) the restaurant.
- k) She \_\_\_\_\_ (lose) the handbag ,her mother \_\_\_\_\_ (give) her for her birthday.
- l) Julia \_\_\_\_\_ (go) to the doctor **because** she \_\_\_\_\_ (not eat) well for five days.
- m) When he \_\_\_\_\_ (reach) the station, the train \_\_\_\_\_ (already / leave).
- n) **When** the plane \_\_\_\_\_ (land) they \_\_\_\_\_ (already/ arrive) to the airport.
- o) 1. The travel agent \_\_\_\_\_ (offer) better and cheaper destinations **after** we  
\_\_\_\_\_ (book) our summer holiday. What a pity!
- p) 2. **When** the ambulance \_\_\_\_\_ (arrive), the injured man \_\_\_\_\_  
(die).
- q) 3. His wife \_\_\_\_\_ (take) him to hospital **since** he \_\_\_\_\_ (cut) his  
finger preparing lunch.

- r) 6. We \_\_\_\_\_ (have) to wait for hours at the station **because** the accident  
\_\_\_\_\_ (damage) the line.
- s) I finally \_\_\_\_\_ (see) Sue. We \_\_\_\_\_ (arrange) to meet at the  
Central café before going to the cinema.