



Past Perfect Positive and Negative

PAST PERFECT USES

For an action which happened before another past action or before a stated time in the past.

She **had finished** work when she **met** her friends.

For an action which finished in the past and whose result was visible in the past.

He **was** happy. He **had signed** an important contract.

PRESENT

PAST FUTURE

She finished work first, then she met her friends

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1) Complete the sentences using **past perfect**.

1. When I arrived at the cinema, the film _____ (start).
2. She _____ (live) in China before she went to Thailand.
3. After they _____ (eat) the shellfish, they began to feel sick.
4. If you _____ (listen) to me, you would have got the job.
5. Julie didn't arrive until after I _____ (leave).
6. When we _____ (finish) dinner, we went out.
7. The garden was dead because it _____ (be) dry all summer.
8. He _____ (meet) her before somewhere.



9. We were late for the plane because we _____ (forgot) our passports.
10. She told me that she _____ (study) a lot before the exam.
11. The grass was yellow because it _____ (not/rain) all summer.
12. The lights went off because we _____ (not/pay) the electricity bill.
13. The children _____ (not/do) their homework, so they were in trouble.
14. They _____ (not/eat) so we went to a restaurant.
15. We couldn't go into the concert because we _____ (not/bring) our tickets.
16. She said that she _____ (not/visit) the UK before.
17. Julie and Anne _____ (not / meet) before the party.
18. I _____ (not / have) breakfast when he arrived
19. He _____ (not / use) email before, so I showed him how to use it.
20. You _____ (not / study) for the test, so you were very nervous.