

# Understanding the Past Perfect

## 1 Answer the Questions!



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1 Which tense is typically used to describe events that occurred before a specific time in the past?

- a Present perfect
- b Past continuous
- c Past perfect
- d Future perfect

2 In the sentence "By the time I arrived, they had already left", what is the function of the past perfect tense?

- a To describe an action that was completed before another past action
- b To emphasise the duration of an action in the past
- c To express uncertainty about a past event
- d To describe a hypothetical situation in the past

3 Which of the following is NOT a common use of the past perfect tense?

- a To talk about events that happened before a specific time in the past
- b To express regret or disappointment about past events
- c To describe a sequence of events in the past
- d To make predictions about the future

4 How is the past perfect tense formed?

- a Subject + had + past participle
- b Subject + will have + past participle
- c Subject + was/were + past participle
- d Subject + have/has + past participle

**5 Which of the following sentences correctly uses the past perfect tense?**

- a I had forgotten to bring my umbrella.
- b I forgot to bring my umbrella.
- c I have forgotten to bring my umbrella.
- d I had forgetting to bring my umbrella.

**6 In the sentence "I had intended to do well on the exam, but I didn't study enough", what is the function of the past perfect tense?**

- a To express a completed action in the past
- b To describe a hypothetical situation
- c To emphasise an unrealised hope or intention
- d To show the sequence of events in the past

**7 Which of these sentences demonstrates the correct pronunciation of "had had"?**

- a I had 'd a shower.
- b I 'd 'd a shower.
- c I had had a shower.
- d I 'd had a shower.