



Using past tenses: Past perfect

1. Read the definition. Then tick (✓) the correct word to complete the sentences.

foreign body: an object or substance that has entered the body and doesn't belong there.
eg. *The UK health service spends £3 million a year removing foreign bodies from noses and ears.*

- Most of the cases involve *children* ✓ *adults* ☐.
- Between 2010 and 2016 doctors removed 1,218 objects from the *ear* ☐ *nose* ☐ every year.
- They also removed 2,479 foreign bodies from the *nose* ☐ *ear* ☐.
- One to four-year-olds usually put objects in their *nose* ☐ *ear* ☐.
- Five to nine-year olds usually put foreign bodies in their *nose* ☐ *ear* ☐.
- 20% ☐ 40% ☐ of the objects are pieces of jewellery.
- Children put paper and plastic toys in their *noses* ☐ *ears* ☐.
- They put cotton buds and pencils in their *ears* ☐ *noses* ☐.

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2. Label the pictures.



a. pencil



b. _____



c. _____



d. _____



e. _____



f. _____



3. Watch a video about Lewis who has a foreign body in his ear. What was the foreign body?



4. Watch again and decide if the statements are TRUE or FALSE

- Lewis went to A&E with his Grandma complaining of a foreign body in his ear. TRUE / FALSE
- Lewis told his family immediately about the object in his ear. TRUE / FALSE
- Dr Russell and Lewis were surprised to find the watch battery. TRUE / FALSE
- Lewis damaged his ear drum. TRUE / FALSE
- Lewis' ear will heal in six months. TRUE / FALSE
- Lewis doesn't need treatment. TRUE / FALSE



5. Underline the verb in the correct tense (simple past or present perfect) to complete the sentences. Watch the video again to check if necessary.

- Lewis King came / has come to A&E with a pencil in his ear.
- My grandson put / has put a pencil down his ear, and it broke / has broken in his ear.
- It was / has been a week before he told us he did / has done that.
- You've made / made a hole in it.
- Lewis has gained / gained a nice souvenir of his time in A&E and learned a valuable lesson.
- It has been / was an eye opener for Dr Philip too.

6. Complete these sentences about the video with the correct verbs.

had been, ~~had come~~, had done, had gained, had forgotten, 'd made, had put

- Lewis King had come to A&E with a pencil in his ear.
- My grandson _____ a pencil down his ear.
- It was a week before he told us he _____ that.
- We _____ about the watch battery.
- You _____ a hole in it.
- Lewis _____ a nice souvenir of his time in A&E and learned a valuable lesson.
- It _____ an eye opener for Dr Philip too.

7. Write these sentences in the negative form.

- Lewis had put a Lego brick in his ear.
Lewis hadn't put a Lego brick in his ear.
- I had put a pencil in my ear.
- Lewis and his grandmother had presented to their GP.
- Dr Russell had found an AA battery in Lewis' ear.
- We had forgotten about the watch battery.
- You had made a hole in your ear canal.

8. Put the words in the correct order to make questions about the video.

- Lewis / what / done? / had
What had Lewis done?
- to / what / the pencil? / happened / had
- to do? / Lewis' Grandma / had / decided / what
- been / easy / had / to remove / it / the pencil?
- had / a watch battery / lost? / you
- himself? / had / how / Lewis / injured

9. Choose the correct verb to complete the answers to the questions.

been, broken, damaged, decided, done, had, hadn't, ~~put~~

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| a. Q: What had Lewis done?
A: He had <u>put</u> a pencil in his ear. | d. Q: Had it been easy to remove the pencil?
A: No, it _____. |
| b. Q: What had happened to the pencil?
A: It had _____ inside Lewis' ear. | e. A: Had you lost a watch battery?
Q: Yes, I _____. |
| c. Q: What had Lewis' Grandma decided to do?
A: She had _____ to take Lewis to A&E. | f. Q: How had Lewis injured himself?
A: He had _____ his ear drum. |