

Lesson 9B. PAST PERFECT

A. Read the sentences and complete the gaps with verbs from the box in the past perfect form.

break into	buy	get away	kill	punch	
set	smash	snatch	steal	take	throw

1. When Tom got to his car, he found that someone _____ the window and _____ the CD player.
2. I read in the newspaper that Mrs Jones _____ her neighbour deliberately with a kitchen knife.
3. Tina was devastated that someone _____ her house and _____ all her valuable jewellery.
4. Investigators discovered that someone _____ fire to the church on purpose.
5. The teenager looked ashamed and told police he _____ the drugs from a man at a nightclub.
6. When Mr Evans arrived at his greengrocer's this morning, he was shocked to see that someone _____ paint against the windows.
7. The bank clerk later told police in an interview that the masked men _____ with over £50,000.
8. Keira was in tears, because a girl _____ her in the face and _____ her handbag.

B. Now reread the sentences in A and write the crime each one refers to.

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____
7. _____
8. _____

C. Read the sentences and put the verbs in brackets into the past perfect, the past simple or the past continuous form.

- 1 When I arrived home from school yesterday, I _____ (find) that my bike wasn't there. Someone _____ (steal) it! I guess it was my own fault, because I _____ (not lock) it.

2. Apparently, the police _____ (arrest) the gang of joyriders yesterday evening, while they _____ (break) into a car! An eye-witness had seen the gang and _____ (dial) 999.

3 Football hooligans _____ (cause) chaos in the city centre after last night's match. They _____ (attack) supporters of the rival team and _____ (damage) several public buildings. They said they were upset because their team _____ (play) badly!

4. While I _____ (walk) through Stanford Park yesterday, a man _____ (rob) me. Before he _____ (jump) out at me, I _____ (notice) him standing behind a tree, looking suspicious.

5. Jane _____ (queue) in the bank yesterday, when suddenly a woman _____ (pull out) a gun and _____ (tell) everyone to lie on the ground. Jane was terrified, as she _____ (not see) a gun before. Luckily, the robber _____ (not shoot) anyone.

6. On Saturday evening, John Kelly _____ (be) amazed to come across an unknown man in his garden shed! When John _____ (discover) him, the man _____ (sleep) like a baby. The sleeping man was in fact Tim Barlow, one of the prisoners who _____ (escape) from Highfell jail two days before.