

INVERSION EXERCISES IN ENGLISH

HARDLY / SCARCELY / BARELY . . . WHEN NO SOONER . . . THAN

1. They started clapping when we entered the room. (No sooner)
2. Jim started arguing with him when Jack reached the place. (Barely)
3. Sam started walking when I saw him. (Hardly)
4. Peter started the journey then it started raining. (Scarcely)
5. The students stopped talking when the teacher entered the room. (No sooner)
6. Peter started the speech when immediately Andrew started questioning him. (Barely)
7. The thief started running when I saw him. (Hardly)
8. The calling bell started ringing when Sam closed the door. (Scarcely)
9. The patient started to recover when the doctor came. (No sooner)
10. Alex saw Ann and she started laughing. (Barely)
11. His phoned started ringing when Benn entered the room. (Hardly)
12. The student started studying when the teacher saw him. (Scarcely)
13. Lisa started waving when we saw her. (No sooner)
14. The doorbell started ringing when Jane started cooking. (Barely)
15. The electricity went off when I started working on my computer. (Hardly)

16. The culprit started fleeing the scene when the police saw him. (Scarcely)
17. The watchman started saluting when he saw the Chairmen. (No sooner)
18. Barney started shouting when Robin entered the room. (Barely)
19. Eleven started crying when she saw Mike. (Hardly)
20. The audience started screaming when Harry reached the stage. (Scarcely)