

# PAST PERFECT

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<b>USE</b>	The first action finished <b>before</b> the second past action.
<b>FORM</b>	<b>Action 1:</b> Past perfect S + <b>had</b> + <b>Vpast participle</b> + C  <b>Action 2:</b> simple past
<b>TIME MARKERS</b>	- <i>When</i> - <i>Until</i> - <i>Because</i> - <i>Before</i> - <i>After</i> - <i>By the time (+simple past)</i>
<b>EXAMPLE:</b>	My classmates <b>had left</b> the class <b>when</b> I finished the test. <div style="text-align: right; margin-right: 100px;">             └──────────────────┘              Dependant clause           </div>
When the dependent clause comes first, we must use a comma (,) between the clauses.	<i>When</i> I finished the test, my classmates <b>had left</b> the class.

**FILL IN THE BLANKS WITH THE APPRIOPRIATE FORM OF THE VERB IN PARENTHESIS. USE THE PAST PERFECT OR SIMPLE PAST.**

- I had finished (**finish**) my homework by the time he called (**call**) me last night.
- My friend \_\_\_\_\_ (**text**) me five times before I answered.
- We \_\_\_\_\_ (**wash**) the dishes because my mother \_\_\_\_\_ (**get**) sick.
- Leonardo \_\_\_\_\_ (**call**) his mother after he \_\_\_\_\_ (**finish**) playing basketball.
- The garden was wet because it \_\_\_\_\_ (**rain**) for hours.
- I \_\_\_\_\_ (**visit**) Brazil twice before I \_\_\_\_\_ (**start**) Portuguese.
- The police \_\_\_\_\_ (**arrive**) after the burglar \_\_\_\_\_ (**break**) into the house.
- I was thirsty because I \_\_\_\_\_ (**play**) basketball the whole morning.
- Pablo's dog \_\_\_\_\_ (**die**) two days ago before he \_\_\_\_\_ (**come**) back home.
- Laura \_\_\_\_\_ (**live**) in Puno before she \_\_\_\_\_ (**move**) to Arequipa.

**LOOK AT THE SENTENCES AND CHOOSE WHAT ACTION HAPPENED FIRST.**

- Everybody had eaten breakfast by the time I got up.
  - Everybody ate breakfast \_\_\_\_\_.
  - I got up. \_\_\_\_\_.
- After Malu had read the book, she took it back to the library.
  - She took the book back to the library. \_\_\_\_\_.
  - Malu read the book \_\_\_\_\_.

