Past simple	Past continuous	Past perfect	Past perfect continuous
- **completed actions in the past:** *We **ate out** yesterday.* - **to talk about past events in chronological order:** *He **called** me and **told** me to go, but when I **arrived** he wasn't there.* - **to talk about past habits** or **past states:** *He really **liked** sport, and **was** very fit.*	- **set the scene** in a story. *The sun **was shining** and lots of tourists **were lying** on the beach.* - for **actions in progress** in the past or longer actions interrupted by shorter actions in past simple. *When she opened the door, we **were talking** about her*	- earlier events and experiences, or single actions completed earlier in the past. *When I met her, I **had** never **been** in a serious relationship.* - states or situations that had started earlier in the past. *The day Anne died, they **had been** married for 48 years.*	- shows that an action that started in the past continued up until another time in the past. *He **had been drinking** milk out the carton when Mom walked into the kitchen. Martha **had been walking** three miles a day before she broke her leg.*
+ S+V(II)	**+ S+was/were+Ving**	**+ S+had+V(III)**	**+ S+had+been+Ving**
- S+didn't +V(I)	**-S+wasn't/weren't +Ving**	**- S+hadn't+V(III)**	**-S+hadn't+been+Ving**
? Did +S+V(I)	**? Was/were +S+Ving**	**? Had +S+V(III)**	**? Had +S+been+Ving**

4 Complete the text with the correct forms of the verbs in brackets.

John (**1**) _____ (**start**) cooking when he was eight. He (**2**) _____ (**learn**) how to do it from his grandmother, who (**3**) _____ (**teach**) him various traditional recipes. Soon, he (**4**) _____ (**can**) cook the Sunday dinner for his family. He (**5**) _____ (**become**) so good at it, that his mother encouraged him to take part in a cooking programme. He wanted to be well-prepared beforehand. For several months he (**6**) _____ (**get up**) at six every day to prepare a different 'meal of the day' for each individual family member. After some time John (**7**) _____ (**know**) he was ready for the casting for the programme. He (**8**) _____ (**be**) really good, so he easily (**9**) _____ (**get**) a place in the programme. Unfortunately, he (**10**) _____ (**not win**) and he was very disappointed. He (**11**) _____ (**not lose**) his passion for cooking, but he's not interested in cooking programmes anymore.

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