

Practice

1 Which action comes first in each sentence? Write 1 or 2 after the verbs.

- 0 Russell realised [2] his mistake only hours after he had sent [1] the money.
 1 When Kris arrived [] at the station, the group had already left [].
 2 When Kris arrived [] at the station, the group left [].
 3 Mandy had asked [] her father to lend her the car before, but this time he agreed [].
 4 Sam had been [] in the room for some time before he realised [] it was the wrong class.
 5 By the time the builders completed [] the work, we had already moved in [].
 6 When the builders had completed [] the work, we moved in [].
 7 Jelena started [] the course because she hadn't found [] a job.
 8 Kevin got [] the job because he had been [] the best interviewee.

2 Read these sentences from novels and choose the correct words in *italics*.

3.03 Listen and check.

- 0 Her mother *had* / *had had* a beautiful voice, both when she *sang* / *had sung* and when she *talked* / *had talked*.
 1 The girls were still there, standing where he *saw* / *had seen* them earlier.
 2 Liesel's treat was a ride in a car. She *was never* / *had never been* in one before.
 3 The man was very pleasant, reminding him that they *met* / *had met* at Adam's wedding.
 4 As Joe walked away, he *felt* / *had felt* that he *said* / *had said* goodbye to the last phase of his youth.
 5 She stepped out of the bath, *reached* / *had reached* for the towel the maid *left* / *had left* for her and *wrapped* / *had wrapped* it around her.