The Past Perfect Tense

had + V_3

Past Simple	Past Perfect
Действие произошло в определенное или неопределенное время в прошлом (yesterday, last month, a week ago, in 2001…)	Действие произошло до какого-то определенного момента в прошлом. (before, after, by that time, by three o'clock)
Jane got up at seven. She opened her birthday presents and then the whole family went to the zoo.	Before her sixth birthday, Jane had never been to the zoo.
Джейн встала в семь. Она открыла подарки на день рождения, и затем вся семья пошла в зоопарк.	До своего шестого дня рождения Джейн никогда не была в зоопарке.

I washed the floor when the painter had gone.

After Sofie had finished her work, she went to lunch.

By the time I arrived at the airport, my fiancé hadn't gone yet.

Had you cleaned up the mess by the time they came home?

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Complete the sentences with the Past Perfect and Past Simple of the verb in brackets.

1. Kevin ..... (go) home by the time I .....(arrive).
2. Ethan suddenly .....(realise) that he ..... (leave) his laptop on the train.
3. Mum .....(be) annoyed because I.....(not clean) my room.
4. .....(they / study) English before they .....(go) to the USA?
5. We .....(be) hungry because we ..... (not eat).
6. My phone .....(not /work) because I.....(not/ charge) it.
7. Why..... (not /you /want) to watch the film? .....(you / see) it before?
8. Sally .....(be) embarrassed because she .....(forget) her dad's birthday.

The Past Perfect Continuous Tense

had + been + V_3

LIVEWORKSHEETS

Bob had been teaching at the university for 5 years before he moved to Moscow.

By the time Mary woke up, Bob had been cooking breakfast for 2 hours.

Complete the sentences with the Past Perfect Continous

1. I .....(work) all day, so I didn't want to go out..
2. She .....(sleep) for ten hours when I woke her.
3. They.....(live) in Beijing for three years when he lost his job.
4. When we met, you.....(work) at that company for six months.
5. We .....(eat) all day, so we felt a bit ill.
6. He was red in the face because he.....(run) .
7. It .....(rain) and the road was covered in water.
8. I was really tired because .....(study) .
9. We .....(go) out for three years when we got married.
10. It.....(snow) for three days.

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