

MIXED TENSES (PAST)



Can you cook up a good story using mixed types of past tense forms? Let's go over them!

Task one. *Read the names of the tense and form and connect to their use.*

I	Past Simple	**a** add -ed or use an irregular form	**1** used for continuous past actions
II	Past Continuous	**b** use "was" or "were" with the verb + ing	**2** used for a preceding past action.
III	Present perfect	**c** use "have or "has with past participle	**3** used for completed past actions
IV	Past perfect	**d** use "had" plus past participle	**4** it can be used for recent past events

Task Two. *Circle the correct form of the verb*

1. Yesterday, I … to the cinema a. went b. have gone c. was gong	2. At 11:00 last night I . a bath a. took b. have taken c. was taking	3. The plane …. at Gate 14 a. was arriving b. has arrived c. arrive
4. By 3:00 I… my work a. had finished b. was finishing c. have finished	5. Last night, I … sleep. a. can't b. couldn't c. can't have	6. What … at 8:00 a.m.? a. you were doing b. was you doing c. were you doing



Task Three. Read the story and fill in with the correct form of the verb.

Charlene (1)..... (be) the new chef in the kitchen. She (2) .....(never /work) in a big restaurant before. "I can do this!" she (3) ..... (tell) herself.

Charlene (4)..... (pick) up a big knife and (5)..... (begin) to cut up the vegetables. While she (6)..... (cut), she (7)..... (sing) a little song to herself.

Suddenly Martin the head waiter (8)..... (stick) his head in the kitchen. "The Dubois party (9)..... (arrive). Are you ready?"

"Ready?" (10)..... (cry) Charlene. "I (11) ..... (just/ start)!"



"Well you'd better hurry" Martin (12).....(advise) her as he disappeared.

"Now what?" Charlene (13)..... (be) in a panic.

"Ahem" (14).....(say) a small voice. Charlene (15) ..... (look) down. A little gray rat (16)..... (stand) at her feet. "Maybe I can help." The rat said.

Charlene (17) ..... (listen) while the rat (18)..... (explain) his plan.

Five minutes later, the Dubois (19)..... (try) their first dish – the soup.

"I (20)..... (never / taste) anything so delicious!" said Mrs. Dubois. "Who (21)..... (make) this soup?"