Past Perfect Tense

(Had + verb)

An action that happened before another action in the past

- He very hard before he finally won. (work)
- She said that she the hat before she came home. (bought)
- He studied so much because he a lot of homework. (receive)
- She was surprised because she never it before. (notice)
- She already dinner before her husband came home. (make)
- John was happy because he a new job. (find)

An action that happened before a specific time in the past

- They already before the 9 o'clock break. (score)
- He building his house before 1999. (finish)
- She never to the UK, until last year. (be)

A state that started in the past, and continued up to sometime in the past

- He her until she humiliated him. (like)
- She a cat, but she received a fish instead. (want)
- I a motorbike for 5 years before I bought a car. (own)

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