

LISTENING PRACTICE

A. Listen to four true news stories. Number the pictures in the order you hear the stories.

A/



B/



C/



D/



B. Listen again and correct the mistakes in the sentences.

1. Dennis Leighton was going to visit his sister. *daughter*
2. He had been in his car for 13 hours.
3. Erin Langworthy was on holiday in Kenya.

4. She was taken to hospital after she had walked to safety.
5. Lena Paahlsson lost the ring while she was doing the washing up.
6. Today the ring is too big for her.
7. The crocodile had gone into Jo Dodd's kitchen.
8. Mrs Dodd called the Crocodile Management Centre.

GRAMMAR PRACTICE. PAST PERFECT

A. Complete the sentences with the past perfect form of the verbs in brackets.

1. The streets were white because it _____ the night before. (**snow**)
2. I suddenly remembered that I _____ the windows before I left the house. (**not close**)
3. We got to the cinema ten minutes after the film _____ (**start**)
4. Tina felt nervous because she _____ before (**not fly**)
5. Paul lent me the book after he _____ it. (**read**)
6. They missed the flight because they _____ the announcement. (**not hear**)

B.

3 PRONUNCIATION

contractions: *had* / *hadn't*

○ **Contractions: past perfect**

In conversation we often contract *had* in the past perfect after a subject pronoun (*I*, *you*, etc.), e.g.,

When I got to the airport, I realized that I'd forgotten my passport.

I suddenly remembered that we hadn't told Sue about the party.

Write the sentences with contractions. Listen and check.

1. He had forgotten it. *He'd forgotten it.*
2. We had lost it.
3. You had seen her.
4. It had been a terrible day.
5. I had not sent it.
6. She had not done it.
7. They had not told me.

C. QUESTIONS

Write questions in the past perfect.

1. A I drove my boyfriend's car this morning.
B you / drive it / before
Had you driven it before?
2. A My brother won a gold medal.
B he / win a medal / before

_____?

3. A My sister ran in the London marathon last weekend.
B she / run a marathon / before



_____?

4. A We went to Brazil on holiday.
B you / be there / before

_____?

D. Make these two sentences into one. Use the past perfect and the past simple.

1. We bought some souvenirs. Then we went back to the hotel.
After we had bought some souvenirs, we went back to the hotel

2. Max did the ironing. Then he put the clothes away.
After Max _____

3. They watched the news. Then they turned off the TV.
After _____

4. I read the book. Then I gave it back.
When _____

5 Ruth tried on the shirt. Then she went to the checkout.
After Ruth _____

5. We had dinner. Then we did the washing up.
After _____