

Past Perfect Tense & Past Perfect Continuous & Past Simple

A) Supply a suitable SIMPLE PAST or PAST PERFECT TENSE:

Example:

1. They **went** (go) home after they **had finished** (finish) their work.

2. She …….. (just / go) out when I called her.

3. My brother …….. (eat) all the pie before we got back.

4. He wondered why I …….. (not / visit) him before.

5. She said that she …….. (already / see) the Pyramids.

6. The fire …….. (spread) to the next building before the firemen …….. (arrive).

7. They drank small cups of coffee, after they …….. (finish) dinner.

8. He told me he …….. (catch) a young lion.

9. His mother …….. (worry) a lot about him before she …….. (hear) that he was safe.

10. He …….. (already / learn) English before he …….. (leave) for England, but before he arrived in England, he …….. (forget) some.

11. Mary …….. (go) swimming after she …….. (come) home. After she …….. (swim), she …….. (call) her friend Judy.

12. I …….. (go) to the theatre with my friends yesterday. I …….. (not / go) to the theatre for a year. We …….. (have) a very good time.

13. After they …….. (finish) their breakfast, they …….. (leave) for school.

14. Linda …….. (play) tennis after she …….. (do) her homework.

15. My father …….. (water) the flowers after he …….. (clean) the car. After he …….. (water) the flowers, he …….. (have) dinner.

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B) Combine the following sentences by using AFTER / BEFORE (choose only one):

Example:

1. My mother took her umbrella. She went out. *After my mother took her umbrella, she went out.*

   or *Before my mother went out, she took her umbrella.*

2. Frank called me. I went to school.

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3. I washed the dishes. I watched TV.

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4. She washed her hands. She had lunch.

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5. The boys bought a ball. They played football.

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6. My mother made a cake. The guests came.

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7. He put sugar in his tea. He drank it.

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8. I got up. I had breakfast.

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9. The children ran away. They broke the window.

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10. I fastened my seat belt. The plane took off.

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C) Fill in the following sentences by using PAST PERFECT CONTINUOUS TENSE:

Example:

1. We **had been playing** (play) football for half an hour when it started to rain.
2. I ..... (study) English for a short time when the electricity went off.
3. She ..... (do) her homework before you came in.
4. His knees and hands were very dirty. He ..... (crawl) in the garden.
5. I ..... (drive) the car for five years when I sold it.
6. We were very tired. We ..... (travel) for about sixteen hours.
7. They were out of breath. They ..... (run) for a long time.
8. He ..... (live) in London for ten years when he had an accident.
9. He was tired because he ..... (write) letters all morning.
10. He ..... (repair) the radio for an hour when you arrived.

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D) Fill in the following sentences by using PAST PERFECT SIMPLE OR CONTINUOUS:

1. I was tired because I ..... (type) for a long time.
2. Her boss was very angry with her because she ..... (come) to work very late.
3. I didn't know about the earthquake because I ..... (not / watch) television.
4. She was too fat because she ..... (not / keep) her doctor's advice.
5. I took my car to the garage because the brakes ..... (not / work).
6. She had to go to the dentist because she ..... (not / clean) her teeth.
7. He got bad marks because he ..... (not / study) hard.
8. She wasn't at home. She ..... (go) out with her boyfriend.
9. I thought I ..... (behave) like an ididot.
10. He ..... (study) English) very hard for the last few days.



Good job!

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