

## Using Past Perfect Tense

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Complete the sentences with a past perfect verb phrase.**

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| (2) Eric's truck ran out of gas because he _____ to fill the gas tank.<br>forgot | (4) The movie _____ before we arrived at the theater.<br>start |

**Select the words that correctly complete each sentence.**

- ( 5 ) Eric did not arrive until after the plane \_\_\_\_\_ .  
a. had lands c. had landed  
b. had land d. had landing
- ( 6 ) The streets were flooded because it \_\_\_\_\_ all night.  
a. had raining c. had rain  
b. had rained d. had rains

Improve each to use a past perfect phrase for the underlined words.

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## ANSWER KEY

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