



Simple past, Past Continuous and Past Perfect

First, choose which action happened first. Then, complete with the right form of the verb in brackets.

- She _____ (run) a half marathon so I _____ (know) she was the right teammate.
 - She _____ (run) a half marathon so I _____ (know) she was the right teammate.
- I _____ (watch) films all day in my bedroom. My parents _____ (recommend) them.
 - I _____ (watch) films all day in my bedroom. My parents _____ (recommend) them.
- I _____ (do) all twenty things on my list before I _____ (go) back to school.
 - I _____ (do) all twenty things on my list before I _____ (go) back to school.
- We _____ (eat) sandwiches and snacks that we _____ (buy) two days ago.
 - We _____ (eat) sandwiches and snacks that we _____ (buy) two days ago.
- After we _____ (put) our boots and stuff in the car, we _____ (drive) to a nearby forest.
 - After we _____ (put) our boots and stuff in the car, we _____ (drive) to a nearby forest.
- When they _____ (announce) the winners, we found out that we _____ (win).
 - When they _____ (announce) the winners, we found out that we _____ (win).

Choose the words to complete the text

1. While I _____ and they _____, we _____ we _____
(not / buy) the food for the next day.
 - a. Didn't buy
 - b. Talked
 - c. Had realized
 - d. Was Talking
 - e. Had Played
 - f. Were Playing
 - g. Hadn't bought
 - h. Realized

2. It was a beautiful day, the sun _____ and the birds _____, I _____ my things and _____ for a walk outside. I _____ such a beautiful park before.
 - a. Shone
 - b. Was Shining
 - c. Sang
 - d. Were Singing
 - e. Picked up
 - f. Was picking up
 - g. Never saw
 - h. Had never seen

3. We _____ to the train station, when we _____ and accident.
 - a. Travelled
 - b. Were Travelling
 - c. Saw
 - d. Had Seen

4. They _____ (play) soccer, when Tom _____ (fall) over.
 - a. Played
 - b. Had Played
 - c. Were Playing
 - d. Fell
 - e. Had Fallen

5. My parents _____ some food and _____ home.
 - a. Had Bought
 - b. Bought
 - c. Were coming
 - d. Came

6. Before I _____ (watch) the movie yesterday, I _____ (read) some reviews online.
- Watched
 - Was watching
 - Read
 - Had read

Put the verb in brackets in the correct tense

Yesterday, while I _____ (walk) to the city centre, I _____ (see) an advertisement for a concert on Saturday. A lot of other people _____ (already/see) the advertisement before me. They _____ (stand) outside the theatre when I _____ (arrive) there. We _____ (wait) for a long time. At last a man _____ (come) out of the theatre and _____ (put) up a notice. They _____ (sell) all the tickets for Saturday! We _____ (feel) angry. Why _____ (not/they/tell) us earlier? We _____ (decide) to go home.

While we _____ (walk) back home, I _____ (realise) we _____ (not/visit) my mother the past week, so we _____ (decide) to go have dinner with her. When we _____ (call) to let her know we _____ (going), she _____ (say) she _____ (already eat). We _____ (go) anyway.