Past simple Vs Past perfect.

Exercise 4: Choose the correct option Select the correct verb form to complete the sentence.

1. When I _____ (had finished/finished) my homework, I went to bed.
2. By the time they arrived, we _____ (had already started/started) eating.
3. She _____ (had never traveled/never traveled) abroad before last year.
4. After the kids _____ (cleaned/had cleaned) the room, they went out to play.
5. He _____ (didn't know/hadn't known) about the surprise party before he arrived.
6. They _____ (bought/had bought) their house before they got married.
7. We _____ (met/had met) each other before the meeting started.
8. The bus _____ (had already left/already left) when we reached the station.
9. I _____ (had heard/heard) the song before, so I didn't listen carefully.
10. The children _____ (fell asleep/had fallen asleep) by the time the babysitter arrived.

Exercise 2: Identify the tense Decide whether the verb in each sentence is in the past simple or past perfect.

1. They had finished the project before the deadline.
2. He played football with his friends yesterday.
3. We had left the house when it started raining.
4. The baby cried for an hour.
5. I had never eaten sushi before I visited Japan.
6. She called her mom in the evening.
7. By the time we arrived, they had gone home.
8. He didn't know about the surprise party.
9. I had already met him before the event.
10. They bought a new car last week.

Exercise 3: Write your own sentences using the following prompts:

- By the time...
- After she had...
- Before we...
- When he...
- I had never...
- They didn't...
- The train had...
- We had finished...
- She cried because...

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