

GRAMMAR PRACTICE

1 Match the past perfect and past simple sentence halves together.

1. As soon as I had finished my sushi	a. he fed the dog
2. Before I made a dentist appointment,	b. as soon as I had landed on the island.
3. After I had bought a new bed,	c. she made a short thank-you speech.
4. After the man had come home,	d. before I saw it with my family.
5. I had watched the film alone	e. before I got my license.
6. When she had read all the greetings cards,	f. I had found 3 cavities.
7. I had already bought a car	g. I realized I didn't have the space for it.
8. I went straight to the beach	h. I felt sick.

PAST SIMPLE	PAST CONTINUOUS	PAST PERFECT
Regular: VERB + ED Irregular: 2nd column	WAS/WERE + VERB -ING sing. plu.	HAD + PARTICIPLE (3th column)
SIGNAL WORDS Yesterday, last week/month/year, ago, in 1990, when...	SIGNAL WORDS While, at that moment, all day/night	SIGNAL WORDS Before, after, already, just, by the time, never, until then.

2 Complete the sentences with the correct past tense.

1. Before I moved to London, I (study) English for two years.
2. When I was a student, I (not have) much money.
3. Why she still (work) at one o'clock in the morning.
4. Last week, our teacher gave back the essays we..... (write) the week before.
5. By the time the police arrived at the bank, the robber.....
(escape/already).
6. They..... (just/arrive) at the resort when they.....
(heard) about the hurricane.
7. By 2:00pm yesterday, she (leave/already) the office.