



Fill in the blanks with the correct form of the verbs in brackets. Use Past Perfect.

1. By the time the lesson started, they _____ (complete) their homework.
2. When Oliver got to the station, the train already _____ (leave).
3. Emma _____ (lock) the door before she went upstairs.
4. Before Mia won the spelling contest, she _____ (study) for weeks.
5. Jake _____ (never try) sushi before he went to Japan.
6. When the storm began, we _____ (not close) the windows.
7. Julia _____ (prepare) all the documents before the meeting began.
8. The dog _____ (run away) by the time we opened the gate.
9. I _____ (not read) that book before my teacher recommended it.
10. Mr. Peterson _____ (teach) at that school for 20 years before he moved abroad.

Past Simple or Past Perfect? Read the sentences carefully and circle the correct options.

1. The students **left** / **had left** the classroom when the teacher finally **returned** / **had returned**.
2. When the concert **started** / **had started**, we **found** / **had found** our seats.
3. By the time Daniel **arrived** / **had arrived** at the cinema, the film began / had begun.
4. Olivia **met** / **had met** her neighbour before he **moved** / **had moved** to another city.
5. Mark **didn't know** / **hadn't known** anything about the project before his boss **explained** / **had explained** it to him.
6. Sarah **dropped** / **had dropped** her phone by the time her friend **noticed** / **had noticed** the crack.
7. When my dad **switched off** / **had switched off** the lights, I **finished** / **had finished** reading the book.
8. Mrs. Collins **stayed** / **had stayed** at home because she **felt** / **had felt** ill since the morning.
9. I **didn't realise** / **hadn't realised** how difficult the test was before I **started** / **had started** answering the questions.
10. Emily **didn't taste** / **hadn't tasted** sushi before she **visited** / **had visited** Tokyo last summer.