

Past Perfect or Present Perfect? Football World Cup

Complete the sentences with verbs in the Past Perfect or Present Perfect.

1. Before the referee blew the final whistle, the striker _____ two goals. (score)
2. Brazil _____ the World Cup trophy several times in its history. (win)
3. By the time we turned on the TV, the match _____ already _____. (start)
4. Many football fans _____ to different countries to watch World Cup matches over the years. (travel)
5. Before the penalty shootout began, the goalkeeper _____ confident. (feel)
6. Argentina _____ millions of supporters around the world since winning the World Cup. (gain)
7. By the time the coach changed the formation, his team _____ a goal. (concede)
8. FIFA _____ changes to World Cup rules in recent decades. (make)
9. Before the fans entered the stadium, security officers _____ every bag. (check)
10. Several players _____ interviews about the World Cup this month. (give)
11. By the time the final match ended, thousands of fans _____ on social media for hours. (comment)
12. France _____ in more than one World Cup final in recent years. (play)
13. Before the captain lifted the trophy, his team _____ through a difficult tournament. (fight)
14. Many legendary footballers _____ in the World Cup during their careers. (compete)
15. By the time the substitute entered the pitch, the team _____ all three substitutions. (use)
16. The journalist _____ many articles about World Cup stars recently. (write)
17. Before the match against Germany, the team _____ never _____ in that stadium. (play)
18. Fans around the world _____ World Cup moments for decades. (celebrate)
19. By the time the referee reviewed the VAR footage, the crowd _____ loudly for several minutes. (protest)
20. Several countries _____ their first World Cup title in the last fifty years. (win)