

Past Perfect or Present Perfect?

The Very Hungry Caterpillar

Complete the sentences with the verb in brackets using either the Present Perfect or the Past Perfect.

1. Millions of children in the United States _____ (read) *The Very Hungry Caterpillar* since it was first published.
2. By the time the caterpillar built its cocoon, it _____ (eat) many foods.
3. American schools _____ (use) the book in their classrooms for years.
4. Before the caterpillar felt sick, it _____ (consume) chocolate cake, ice cream, and pie.
5. Teachers _____ (create) art projects inspired by the story.
6. By Sunday evening, the caterpillar _____ (finish) all the food on its list.
7. Eric Carle's famous book _____ (become) a classic in children's literature.
8. Before it turned into a butterfly, the caterpillar _____ (grow) much larger.
9. Many libraries _____ (organize) storytime events based on the book.
10. By the time the caterpillar reached the leaf, it _____ (learn) an important lesson about eating.
11. The book _____ (sell) millions of copies around the world.
12. Before the butterfly emerged, the caterpillar _____ (stay) inside the cocoon for more than two weeks.
13. Many parents _____ (share) the story with their children over the years.
14. By the time the caterpillar ate the green leaf, it _____ (try) many unhealthy foods.
15. The book _____ (inspire) many educational activities in American schools.
16. Before the caterpillar became a butterfly, it _____ (change) dramatically.
17. Researchers _____ (study) the book's educational value for decades.
18. By the time the caterpillar felt better, it _____ (suffer) from a stomachache.
19. Many children _____ (learn) the days of the week through this story.
20. Before the butterfly flew away, it _____ (complete) its transformation.