Past Perfect Exercises

A. Complete the sentences forming simple past perfect.

1) When I arrived at the cinema, the film (start) had started.

2) She (live) _____ in China before she went to Thailand.

3) After they (eat) _____ the shellfish, they began to feel sick.

4) If you (listen) _____ to me, you would have got the job.

5) Julie didn't arrive until after I (leave) _____.

6) When we (finish) _____ dinner, we went out.

7) The garden was dead because it (be) _____ dry all summer.

8) He (meet) _____ her somewhere before.

9) We were late for the plane because we (forget) _____ our passports.

10) She told me she (study) _____ a lot before the exam.

B. Join the sentences with expressions in brackets.

Example:

They graduated. They got married. (as soon as)

They got married as soon as they had graduated.

1. They entered the restaurant. They were served. (after)

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2. I didn't use my credit card. I lost it. (because)

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3. They didn't tell me. Easyjet cancelled the flight. (that)

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4. I couldn't go out. I broke my leg. (because)

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5. He took up a job. He left school. (as soon as)

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6. Susan fell in love with Jack. She told her parents. (after)

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7. I was in Paris for a week. I met Ann there. (when)

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8. Jim called Jane from his office. He came back home. (before)

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9. Maria finished the meal. And I arrived. (by the time)

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10. Messi scored the goal. The fans went wild. (as soon as)

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