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

1. They _____ (finish) answering the questions before the bell rang.
2. When Matthew arrived at home , his wife_____ (cook) the meal.
3. Mrs. Lawrence _____(open) the window before she went to bed.
4. Before Darcy entered this competition she_____ (practise) for two months.
5. Dexter_____ (not see) a skeleton before he visited the museum with his friends.
6. When the earthquake happened , we_____ (not finish) our work at the office.
7. Simon _____ (take) a shower before the guests arrived for the party.
8. The thief _____ (jump) out of the window by the time a opened the door.
9. I _____ (not watch) a horror film before we went to the cinema last Wednesday.
10. Mrs. Reid _____ (work) for the company for 30 years when she got retired last year.

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

1. The robbers left / had left the bank when the policemen finally arrived / had arrived.
2. When the rain started / had started , the Atkinsons finished / had finished planting trees.
3. By the time Rebecca went / had gone into the store , she got / had got soaked.
4. Darcey saw / had seen this castle before she came / had come again last Sunday.
5. Mr.Palmer didn't speak / hadn't spoken any Chinese before he moved / had moved to Peking.
6. Sonny got / had got fainted by the time the ambulance reached / had reached the hospital.
7. When my mother brought / had brought me an apple , I finished / had finished my homework.

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III. Question tags

1. Uncle Mike travels around the world for business, _doesn't he_?
2. The police found some fingerprints on the wall, _____?
3. That didn't seem a very important article on the topic, _____?
4. The monster of Loch Ness has never existed, _____?
5. Nobody could hear it in the middle of the night, _____?
6. London was a Roman town once, _____?
7. People will travel to Mars one day in the future, _____?
8. Paul hadn't arrived when we went to sleep, _____?
9. Let's buy mum a new television for Christmas, _____?
10. There has been a lot of rain this autumn, _____?

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