

## Past Simple or Past Perfect

**Ex. 1 Choose the correct form of the verb. Decide which tense to use Past Simple or Past Perfect.**

1. After we **discussed/ had discussed** it on the phone, I **wrote/ had written** him an email about it.
2. Before we **took/ had taken** Bob to the theatre, he **never saw/ had never seen** a stage play before.
3. By the time we **arrived/ had arrived**, the football match **finished / had finished**.
4. He **promised / had promised** to do the job in an hour, but he still **did not finish / had not finished** by 7 o'clock.
5. I **just cleaned/ had just cleaned** the carpet when the dog **came/ had come** in and shook himself.
6. By the time I **arrived/ had arrived**, the concert **finished/ had finished**.
7. I **rang/ had rung** the shop as soon as I **checked/ had checked** the contents of the box.
8. They **locked / had locked** the door before I **got/ had got** there.
9. We **had / had had** a good rest when our guests all **left/ had left**.
10. When she **rang / had rung** the office this morning, Tom **already went / had already gone** out.

**Ex. 2 Fill in Past Simple or Past Perfect .**

1. After they ..... **(see)** the Tower, they ..... **(go)** to Westminster Abbey.
2. He ..... **(ask)** me which animals I ..... **(see)** in Africa.
3. After Columbus ..... **(discover)** America, he ..... **(return)** to Spain.
4. Before they ..... **(move)** to Liverpool, they ..... **(sell)** everything.
5. After he ..... **(work)** very hard, he ..... **(fall)** ill.
6. She ..... **(open)** the box after she ..... **(find)** the key.
7. They ..... **(go)** to a restaurant after they ..... **(sail)**.
8. Before they ..... **(start)** the party, they ..... **(invite)** some friends.
9. After she ..... **(wash)** the curtains, she ..... **(clean)** the windows.
10. They ..... **(go)** for a sightseeing tour after the bus ..... **(arrive)**.
11. Before he ..... **(mow)** the lawn, he ..... **(pick)** some roses.
12. After he ..... **(finish)** school, he ..... **(work)** for a magazine.