THE PAST PERFECT TENSE WITH HARDLY & NO SOONER

Choose the best option to complete these following sentences or the best inversion sentence for the root one.

1. No sooner had we arrived at the station _____ the announcement started.

A. than B. when C. then D. last

2. _____ he arrived at the bus stop when the bus came.

A. Hardly had B. No sooner had C. No longer has D. Not until had

3. Scarcely had Jake _____ the book report when Alan came in.

A. finish B. finishing C. finished D. to finished

4. As soon as I entered the room, I noticed her.

A. No sooner had I entered the room than I noticed her.

B. Hardly had I entered the room when I noticed her.

C. No sooner I had entered the room than I noticed her.

D. Both A and B are right

5. As soon as he approached the house, the policeman stopped him.

A. No sooner had he approached the house than the policeman stopped him.

B. Hardly had he approached the house than the policeman stopped him.

C. No sooner had he approached the house when the policeman stopped him.

D. Hardly he had approached the house when the policeman stopped him.

6. Hardly _____ the phone down when the boss rang back.

A. did I put B. have I put C. had I put D. I had put

7. No sooner _____ the soldiers leaped into the water.

A. had the ship touched the shore than B. had the ship touched the shore when

C. the ship had touched the shore then D. the ship touched the shore than

8. _____ the medicine than she began to feel better.

A. Not until she swallowed B. Hardly did she swallow

C. No sooner had she swallowed D. Having swallowed

9. _____ had he entered the office than he realized that he had left his wallet at home.

A. Hardly B. Scarcely C. No sooner D. Not only

10. _____ in Rome than he _____.

A. No sooner he had arrived / was being kidnapped

B. No sooner had he arrived / was kidnapped

C. Had he no sooner arrived / kidnapped

D. No sooner was he arriving / had been kidnapped

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