

Unit 1.3: Past Perfect Simple and Past Perfect Continuous

1. Put the verbs in brackets into the Past Perfect Simple.

- I _____ (never / hear) that there was a school for gifted students.
- The teenage boy reacted in a way I _____ (not anticipate).
- Lizzie _____ (always / love) to bake before so she opened a baker's.
- Cathy _____ (never / be) a good student before high school.
- Temba Tsheri _____ (climb) Mount Everest before she turned 17.
- Kevin _____ (have) a modelling career before going to university.
- We didn't know Jessy _____ (write) a book to inspire young leaders.
- _____ (you / speak) in public prior to becoming a young activist?
- At the age of 17, Malala _____ (already / become) the youngest Nobel Peace Prize laureate.

2. Make sentences saying what Louise had or hadn't done before she went to bed.

Example:

- ✓ brush her teeth
Louise had brushed her teeth but prepare her presentation
she hadn't prepared her presentation.

Louise

- ✓ hang her clothes _____ tidy up her room
_____ but _____.
- ✓ feed the fish _____ recycle the rubbish
_____ but _____!
- ✓ listen to jazz music _____ watch TV
_____ but _____!

3. Put the verbs in brackets in the Past Perfect Continuous.

- I _____ (live) with a friend for a week when he suddenly had to move.
- Her parents found out that she _____ (hide) the truth.
- He told me he _____ (think) of finding a job.
- Drew was walking so strangely that I thought he _____ (drink).
- Because he got sick, he _____ (not work) on the project as usual.
- How long _____ they _____ (dance) for before I arrived?

4. Write sentences with the verb in the Past Perfect Continuous.

- e.g. She looked annoyed. (her daughter / shout / for hours)

Her daughter had been shouting for hours.

- a. He was all wet. (he / walk / in the rain)

- b. My sister burnt her hand. (she / use / the oven)

- c. She presented the campaign perfectly. (she / practise / every day / for weeks)

- d. Jason felt really bad. (he and his girlfriend / argue / again)

- e. The couple was very scared. (someone / watch / their house)
