

Past simple	Past continuous	Past perfect	Past perfect continuous
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - completed actions in the past: <i>We ate out yesterday.</i> - to talk about past events in chronological order: <i>He called me and told me to go, but when I arrived he wasn't there.</i> - to talk about past habits or past states: <i>He really liked sport, and was very fit.</i> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - set the scene in a story. <i>The sun was shining and lots of tourists were lying on the beach.</i> - for actions in progress in the past or longer actions interrupted by shorter actions in past simple. <i>When she opened the door, we were talking about her</i> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - earlier events and experiences, or single actions completed earlier in the past. <i>When I met her, I had never been in a serious relationship.</i> - states or situations that had started earlier in the past. <i>The day Anne died, they had been married for 48 years.</i> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - shows that an action that started in the past continued up until another time in the past. <i>He had been drinking milk out the carton when Mom walked into the kitchen. Martha had been walking three miles a day before she broke her leg.</i>
+ S+V(II)	+ S+was/were+Ving	+ S+had+V(III)	+ S+had+been+Ving
- S+didn't +V(I)	-S+wasn't/weren't +Ving	- S+hadn't+V(III)	-S+hadn't+been+Ving
? Did +S+V(I)	? Was/were +S+Ving	? Had +S+V(III)	? Had +S+been+Ving

4 Complete the text with the correct forms of the verbs in brackets.

John (1) _____ (start) cooking when he was eight. He (2) _____ (learn) how to do it from his grandmother, who (3) _____ (teach) him various traditional recipes. Soon, he (4) _____ (can) cook the Sunday dinner for his family. He (5) _____ (become) so good at it, that his mother encouraged him to take part in a cooking programme. He wanted to be well-prepared beforehand. For several months he (6) _____ (get up) at six every day to prepare a different 'meal of the day' for each individual family member. After some time John (7) _____ (know) he was ready for the casting for the programme. He (8) _____ (be) really good, so he easily (9) _____ (get) a place in the programme. Unfortunately, he (10) _____ (not win) and he was very disappointed. He (11) _____ (not lose) his passion for cooking, but he's not interested in cooking programmes anymore.