

Past simple, past continuous and used to

The tenses are incorrect. Write them correctly.

Did the film use to start at two o'clock yesterday?

Jordan was lucky he didn't sleep when the fire started.

My parents were knowing each other for years before they got married.

I used to get up at six this morning.

When the bully saw the teacher, he was running away.

While Mariella walked along the street, she fell.

Complete the sentences with the past simple or the past continuous form of the verbs in brackets.

- I (switch off) the computer because it (make) a strange noise.
- My dad (listen) to classical music when I (arrive) home from school.
- We (play) video games when my mum, (say) 'Turn the volume down!'
- My cousin (meet) his wife, Bianca, while he (live) in Italy.
- My little sister (draw) a picture while I (study) for my French exam.
- While they (try) to fix the computer, all the lights (go out).
- When we (leave) school yesterday, it (pour) with rain.
- When you (see) Paul, he (wear) a black jacket? I (try) to log on when the WiFi (stop) working.
- While Dad (print) an article, the printer (run out) of paper.
- Why (chat) to Philip while I (try) to tell you something really important?

Complete the sentences with got or made.

I the feeling that dad was angry with me.
He a good impression on his teachers because he always did his homework on time.
She better at chess because she practised.
We the most of the day by going for a walk.
Yesterday, I a decision. I'm going to university.

Complete the interview with a film producer. Use the Present Perfect Simple or Past Simple.

When (you/become) a film producer? I (get) my first job in 1996. I (be) a film producer for more than 15 years.

Why (you/decide) to become a film producer?

Well, I (always love) films. I'm good with money and schedules. So one day, I (decide) to try producing.

How many films (you/produce)? I (just complete) my eighth film.

(you/meet) a lot of famous film stars? Yes, I .
I (work) with some very famous people.

Complete the sentences with the past simple or used to.

- Tom all the time, but now he just plays games on his phone. (read)
- I the party. It was very boring. (not enjoy)
- When you were younger, you horror films? (watch)
- We him at school yesterday because he was ill. (not see)
- I eat anything last night because I sick. (can't, feel)
- Sally a chocolate cake for my birthday. (make)

Complete with when or while

Jenna (study) at school w she (start) working as a fashion model in her free time. A well-known fashion photographer (notice) her w she (stand) at a bus stop with a friend. They (chat) about clothes w he (ask) Jenna if he could take her photo. What (she / wear) w this (happen)? Her school uniform!

Choose the correct option.

They used to go / going on holiday to the seaside.

What were you / you were talking about earlier?

I didn't bought / buy this computer. My parents got it for me.

We didn't use / used to care about animals, but we do now.

Ben wasn't / didn't doing his homework when I rang.

Did use you / you use to work in your parents' shop when you were sixteen?

Present perfect and present perfect continuous

Complete the sentences with the correct form of the verbs using the past simple, the past continuous or used to. Sometimes more than one answer is possible.

- I lost my purse while I _____ (go) to school.
- I _____ (not be) a very good swimmer, but now I am.
- What _____ (you / do) after you heard the news?
- She _____ (break) her leg twice last year!
- Where _____ (they / travel) when they missed their train?
- We _____ (dance) when the music suddenly stopped.

Complete the sentences with the present perfect

- Andres _____ (always/want) to be a professional footballer.
- You _____ (not stop) talking since you got here!
- _____ you (see) my new laptop? It's really cool!
- Cristiano Ronaldo _____ (score) eighteen goals so far this season.
- My dad _____ (just/buy) a new car.
- What you _____ (do) to your hair? It's pink!
- My mum and dad _____ (teach) me the most in life.
- Where _____ you (be) all morning?
- I _____ (not pass) all my exams this year so I'm disappointed.
- My brother _____ (fall) in love with a girl from France.

Present perfect with already, still, yet, just, ever and never, for, since.

- Have you _____ been to California?
- I have _____ eaten, I am full.
- It's been years _____ I rode a bicycle.
- We have _____ been to the opera before.
- Have you been to the new exhibition _____ ?
- They haven't been to visit us _____ weeks.
- Andre has _____ seen the snow before.
- Don't worry, the class has _____ begun, you didn't miss much.
- We _____ haven't received their invitation card.
- My mum hasn't had an accident _____ she got her driving licence.

Rewrite the sentences with the word in brackets in the correct place.

- I don't think I've tried surfing. (ever)
- I had heard such an inspiring story. (never)
- Have you asked your parents? (yet)
- He had seen the film twice. (already)
- I've finished reading the most amazing book. (just)
- Had you studied English before you came here? (already)
- I don't think he has finished. (yet)
- I have to cut the grass but I don't have time. (still)

Present perfect simple or continuous

- Sally and Tim _____ (just/get married).
- How long _____ (Brian/work) at the homeless shelter?
- John _____ (sneeze) all day and now he has a red nose.
- I _____ (travel) to the USA three times.
- Danny _____ (look for) a new job for the last two months.
- Emma _____ (not/graduate) yet; she's in her final year at college.
- _____ (you/work) all day?
- I _____ (try) to contact you all week.
- I _____ (just/return) from a trip to Sweden.
- Sarah _____ (practise) that piano piece for days.
- We _____ (not/see) Tom and Sue for ages. How are they?
- Mark _____ (work) so hard, he's completely exhausted. That's why he _____ (not/play) football for a while

Complete the text with the past simple, present perfect or present perfect continuous form of the verbs in the box.

Avoid be (x2) decide have
know not arrive sit start wait

It's nine o'clock. I _____ for Kirsty for two hours, but she _____ yet. I _____ to finish with her. I don't want to, but I'm fed up. I _____ Kirsty for a long time _____ since our first day in secondary school – and we _____ good friends since then. We _____ going out three months ago and in the first few weeks it _____ great. But about two _____ weeks ago, Kirsty and I _____ an argument and she _____ me since then. I like Kirsty a lot, but I'm not an idiot. I _____ here for too long. I'll finish with her tomorrow.

Past perfect and quantifiers

Write USED TO, BE USED TO or GET USED TO

- When I was a teenager I _____ dress up for Halloween.
- At first I was really nervous about driving in Vancouver, but now I _____ to it.
- I don't think I'll ever _____ to the rain in Vancouver.
- Mike is Chinese. He is not _____ speaking English in the office.
- The smell of fish is awful, but you'll _____ it after a couple of months in the job.
- There are some things in this life that you'll never _____ to.
- It will take a while to _____ the new computer software.
- Two years ago, the students _____ have four hours a week of language lessons.
- She _____ to hard work. She grew up in a very poor family.
10. My children _____ to eating hamburgers, but I don't think I'll ever _____ to eating them.

Choose the correct option.

- There isn't **plenty / enough** space in here for another chair.
- My brother spends **too much / few** money on clothes.
- I have very **little / enough** money, so we can't go shopping.
- Emily's only got **a little / a few** friends, but they're all great!
- There were **lots / many** of paintings at the auction, but I didn't really like any of them.
- It was a good party, but there were **a little / too many** people there.
- There are **plenty of / lots** sandwiches on the table – help yourself!
- Have we got **enough food / food enough** for the party?
- I have to do **too much / too many** homework every day.

Complete the sentences with the past perfect form of the verbs in brackets.

- Before yesterday's match, they _____ (not win) any of their matches.
- Before last year, she _____ (never/be) to Granada.
- I _____ (call) her twice before she finally sent me a message.
- It was the first time he _____ (hear) such beautiful music.
- John _____ (always/think) that he wasn't a good basketball player.
- Laura _____ (never/be) good at dancing so she was very nervous.
- My parents _____ (refuse) to let me stay out late so I was surprised when they said yes.
- I _____ (not/drink) beer before that day. It wasn't very nice.
- By the time I got home, I _____ (lose) my wallet.

Complete the text using the verbs in brackets. Use the Past Perfect Simple or Past Simple.

On 10th December, 1968, a car filled with a large amount of money was on its way to a Japanese bank. A young policeman on a police motorbike _____ (stop) the car. He _____ (tell) the bank workers in the car that someone _____ (put) a bomb under the car. The four workers _____ (get out) of the car and the policeman _____ (go) under it to look for the bomb. A few minutes later, the workers _____ (notice) smoke and flames under the car. They _____ (not realise) that the police officer _____ (be) really a thief. He _____ (start) the fire before he _____ (appear) from under the car. After the workers _____ (run) far away, the "policeman" quickly _____ (put out) the fire. He _____ (get) into the car and _____ (drive) away with all the money. By the time the "real" policemen _____ (arrive), the thief _____ (disappear). He was never arrested.

Put the verb into the past simple or past perfect.

- Everyone _____ (hug) each other after they _____ (finish) their exams.
- She _____ (not/want) to go to the cinema because she _____ (already / see) the film.
- After I _____ (buy) my new computer, I discovered that I _____ (not have) enough money.
- My aunt Helen _____ (fly) to Australia last year. She _____ (never / go) on a plane before that.
- We both _____ (know) her address because she _____ (tell) us.
- I _____ (just / buy) a dress when a thief _____ (steal) my bag.
- My niece _____ (go) to London three times by the time she _____ (be) sixteen.

Past simple, past continuous or past perfect form.

In music history, Stuart Sutcliffe is known as the fifth Beatle. In 1960, when the Beatles _____ (play) in Hamburg, Germany, Stuart _____ (be) the bass guitarist. He _____ (be) also in love. He _____ (meet) a girl called Astrid. The Beatles _____ (return) to Britain at the end of the year without Stuart because he _____ (decide) to stay in Germany to study art. But things went wrong when he _____ (start) to have terrible headaches. The doctors _____ (not know) what was wrong with him. One day, while he _____ (study) in an art class, he _____ (become) very ill. When the Beatles _____ (return) to Germany in 1962, Astrid _____ (wait) for them with some terrible news. Stuart _____ (die).

