

Past Simple vs. Past Perfect

2. Complete the sentences with either the **past simple** or **past perfect** of the verbs in brackets.



- a) **When** I _____ (come) home my mother
_____ (already/cook) dinner.
- b) **By the time** she _____ (get) to the cinema her
boyfriend _____ (already/buy) the tickets.
- c) She _____ (already/ study) German **before** she
_____ (move) to Berlin.
- d) **When** they _____ (enter) the room the concert _____ (already / begin)
- e) My son only _____ (play) computer games **after** he _____ (finish) studying.
- f) I _____ (send) a message to my friends **before** I _____ (meet) them.
- g) They _____ (not have) much fun **by the time** Lauren _____ (arrive).
- h) He _____ (call) her four times **before** she _____ (answer) the phone.
- i) Jason _____ (find) a new job **when** he _____ (go) to London.
- j) **After** we _____ (pay) we _____ (leave) the restaurant.
- k) She _____ (lose) the handbag ,her mother _____ (give) her for her birthday.
- l) Julia _____ (go) to the doctor **because** she _____ (not eat) well for five days.
- m) When he _____ (reach) the station, the train _____ (already / leave).
- n) **When** the plane _____ (land) they _____ (already/ arrive) to the airport.
- o) 1. The travel agent _____ (offer) better and cheaper destinations **after** we
_____ (book) our summer holiday. What a pity!
- p) 2. **When** the ambulance _____ (arrive), the injured man _____
(die).
- q) 3. His wife _____ (take) him to hospital **since** he _____ (cut) his
finger preparing lunch.

- r) 6. We _____ (have) to wait for hours at the station **because** the accident
_____ (damage) the line.
- s) I finally _____ (see) Sue. We _____ (arrange) to meet at the
Central café before going to the cinema.