

Language Focus Unit 1 ★★

Past perfect and past simple

1 Complete the sentences with the verbs in the correct place. Use the past perfect and past simple form in each sentence.

When my parents arrived home, the party hadn't ended. (not end / arrive)

- 1 After Josey _____ her driving test, her dad _____ her a car. (buy / pass)
- 2 We _____ in the café after our exams _____. (celebrate / finish)
- 3 By the time he _____ ten, David _____ that he wanted to be a doctor. (be / decide)
- 4 I _____ the school where my dad _____ a student. (be / see)
- 5 Joe _____ any of my friends before he _____ to the picnic. (come / not meet)
- 6 Jessie _____ scared because she _____ on a plane before. (not be / feel)
- 7 They _____ me to hospital because I _____ pneumonia. (get / take)
- 8 Before I _____ to London _____ fish and chips. (go / not eat)

Past narrative tenses

2 Correct the underlined mistakes in the email. One of the items is correct.

Hi Greg,

How had been your summer? Mine was brilliant! In August, my parents and I (1) were going to London! My brother (2) wasn't coming with us because he (3) was wanting to go camping with his friends. While we (4) were sightseeing in 'The Big Smoke', we decided to visit the Tower of London – that's the tower where the guards wear big black hats. Those men are called Beefeaters. Anyway, the tour that we (5) were taking was really interesting and I learned a lot. After the tour (6) had finish, I went into the gift shop. I was shopping in there when I (7) had found the perfect souvenir for you! Let's meet up, so I can give it to you!

Eleanor

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| <u>was</u> | 4 _____ |
| 1 _____ | 5 _____ |
| 2 _____ | 6 _____ |
| 3 _____ | 7 _____ |

3 Order the words to make sentences. Use the correct form of the verbs.

on Skype / all night / talk (*past continuous*) / the friends

The friends were talking on Skype all night.

- 1 the park / not have (*past simple*) / fun / we / at

- 2 jog (*past continuous*) / I / in the park / it / when / to snow / start (*past simple*)

- 3 phone (*past simple*) / we / after / the police / someone / our car / steal (*past perfect*)

- 4 at five o'clock last night / you plan (*past continuous*) / the birthday celebration / ?

- 5 an old record player / she / she / while / the garage, / tidy (*past continuous*) / find (*past simple*) /
