

Vocabulary

Milestones

1 Match verbs 1–8 with words a–h.

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| 1 fail | a your job |
| 2 win | b house |
| 3 get | c a driving test |
| 4 lose | d travelling |
| 5 move | e university |
| 6 go | f in love |
| 7 finish | g married |
| 8 pass | h an award |



2 Complete the letter with the words in the box.

fallen find gone got lost moved
passed win

Dear Pat,

I'm sorry I haven't been in touch for so long – we've had a busy year! The children have finally left home and it's very quiet in the house, I must say. Dan has ¹ _____ travelling. He's starting in Europe and then plans to go to North Africa. Debbie has just started her company as a life coach and is doing very well. Life has been very busy for her this year. She finally ² _____ married to John in the summer and last month they ³ _____ house. It's a beautiful cottage not far from me. Unfortunately, Pete ⁴ _____ his job last year and has been in and out of work ever since. He's thinking of retraining as an electrician, so we hope he'll start his course in the New Year. I'm sure he'll ⁵ _____ a better job. On a positive note, he thinks he's ⁶ _____ in love with a Swedish girl ... wonderful because I would quite like to visit Sweden! He has also just ⁷ _____ his driving test!

We're all healthy, which is the most important thing, and we're still hoping to ⁸ _____ the lottery one day!

Write and tell me all your news.

Love,
Sandra

Grammar

Past perfect

3 Put the words in the correct order to make sentences.

- 1 I arrived at / the station / the train / When / had left
- 2 I moved / before / I'd / finished university / to Spain
- 3 By / he'd / lost five jobs / the time / he turned 20
- 4 After / I went / travelled through Europe, / to Africa / I'd
- 5 an actress / to be / always wanted / I'd
- 6 after / I / didn't know / I'd left school / what to do

4 Complete the sentences with the words in the box.

after (x2) already before by (x2)

- 1 _____ he had left, she realised she really loved him.
- 2 When they arrived, she'd _____ gone.
- 3 _____ the time she was 15, she'd won three awards.
- 4 _____ they had finished the project, they went out to celebrate.
- 5 She'd seen him _____ he saw her, then crossed the road to avoid him.
- 6 He had made a lot of money _____ the time he was 21.

5 Correct the mistake in each sentence.

- 1 Pete ~~had~~ lost his job last month, so he's looking for a new one.
- 2 I had just decided to take the new job when my boss had asked me to stay.
- 3 Before Anya learnt to drive, her dad has already bought her a new car.
- 4 By the time he was 18, Chris already left home.
- 5 She had already won the lottery twice after she won a million euros last month.
- 6 Kirsten lived in the house for a long time when she decided to sell it.
- 7 When they got married, they've already known each other for ten years.