

МИНУЛИЙ ДОКОНАНИЙ ЧАС (THE PAST PERFECT TENSE)

Минулий доконаний час уживається, якщо дія завершилася до певного моменту в минулому або до початку іншої дії в минулому. Стверджувальна форма минулого доконаного часу утворюється з використанням допоміжного дієслова *had* та основного дієслова у третій формі (для неправильних дієслів) або з закінченням *-ed* (для правильних).

I/you/he/she/it/we/they + had + V₃ (Ved)

Наприклад:

We had finished the work before seven o'clock yesterday.

She had cooked supper before the children returned from the walk.

(перша дія: *she cooked supper*, друга дія: *children returned from the walk*)

МИНУЛИЙ ДОКОНАНО-ТРИВАЛИЙ ЧАС (THE PAST PERFECT CONTINUOUS TENSE)

Минулий доконано-тривалий час вживається для вираження дій, що тривали якийсь час до певного моменту в минулому чи початку іншої дії в минулому.

Стверджувальна форма утворюється з використанням допоміжного дієслова *had*, дієслова *to be* у третій формі (*been*) та основного дієслова з закінченням *-ing*.

I/you/he/she/it/we/they + had been + Ving

Наприклад:

We had been skiing for half an hour before it started snowing.

Минулий доконаний час вживається у таких випадках.

1) Якщо дія завершилась до певного моменту в минулому:

We had come home by 8 o'clock yesterday.

2) Якщо дія завершилась до початку іншої дії в минулому.

They had returned home before the film began. (перша дія: *they had returned home*; друга дія: *the film began*)

Порівняйте:

We reached the hotel and the rain started. (послідовні дії)

We reached the hotel after the rain had started. (перша дія: *the rain had started*; друга дія: *we reached the hotel*)

Минулий доконано-тривалий час вживається у таких випадках.

1) Якщо дія тривала якийсь час до певного моменту чи до початку іншої дії у минулому:

We had been walking for forty minutes before we reached the village.

2) Щоб підкреслити, що дія тривала достатньо довго в минулому і мала видимий результат: *He was confused because he had been solving that problem for hours.*

1. Circle the correct item.

- 1) Edgar phoned/had phoned me at 8 o'clock yesterday evening.
- 2) Mary vacuumed/had vacuumed the carpets by 3 o'clock yesterday.
- 3) We went/had gone home after it stopped/had stopped raining.
- 4) The waiter brought/had brought the drinks which we ordered/had ordered before.
- 5) Angela paid/had paid the money, took/had taken her purchase and left/had left the shop.
- 6) Before the Bells chose/had chosen the hotel, they discussed/had discussed all the details with their travel agent.
- 7) Paul started/had started working as a designer after he graduated/had graduated from university.
- 8) Tom entered/had entered the classroom and closed/had closed the door.
- 9) When Sam came/had come to the platform, the train already arrived/had already arrived.
- 10) By the time we got/had got home, the film finished/had finished.

2. Put the verbs in brackets into the Past Simple or the Past Perfect Tense.

- 1) Julia _____ (to stop) and _____ (to turn) around to see who _____ (to call) her name.

- 2) Mr Brooks _____ (to take) the documents which the secretary _____ (to prepare) for him the day before.
- 3) I _____ (not to phone) you because I _____ (to leave) my mobile phone at home.
- 4) Vicky _____ (to show) us her new skirt which she _____ (to buy) at the sale a week before.
- 5) We _____ (to be) hungry and _____ (to decide) to go to a cafe for a snack.
- 6) The rescue team _____ (to arrive) before the fire _____ (to destroy) all the building.
- 7) What car _____ your father _____ (to have) before he _____ (to buy) the Opel?
- 8) I _____ (not to see) Jack yesterday because he _____ (to fly) to Leeds for the conference three days before.
- 9) When I _____ (to return) from the swimming pool yesterday, my mother _____ (to tell) me that she _____ (to make) my favourite cake.
- 10) The woman _____ (to be) sure that the boy _____ (to tell) her the truth.

3. Put the verbs in brackets into the Past Perfect Continuous Tense.

- 1) My sister _____ (to practise) for two months before that concert.
- 2) The boys _____ (to fish) for three hours before Tom caught the first fish.
- 3) We _____ (to discuss) that problem for more than an hour before we found the right solution.
- 4) Henry _____ (to wait) for half an hour before he saw his girlfriend getting off the tram.

5) Driving to the hospital was difficult as it _____ (to snow) all night.

6) Polly _____ (to study) economy since she entered university.

7) Ron's collection of coins was valuable as he _____ (to collect) them since he was a schoolboy.

8) When Sam returned home we _____ (to watch) that TV programme for a quarter of an hour already.

9) Bill's coat and mittens were wet because he _____ (to play) snowballs with his friends in the yard.

10) David was irritated because the police inspector _____ (to ask) him questions for more than an hour.

4. Circle the correct item.

1) Tima sunbathed/was sunbathing while her children swam/were swimming in the sea.

2) Mr White phoned/had phoned us after the conference was beginning/had begun.

3) They were sailing/had been sailing for two weeks before they reached the continent.

4) My brother bought/had bought this computer a year ago.

5) We had/were having breakfast when our neighbour knocked/had knocked at the door.

6) Tom's eyes were red because he had worked/had been working at the computer all day.

7) Dolly took/was taking a letter, opened/was opening it and started/had started reading.

8) After we cleaned/had cleaned the house we decided/had decided to go to the cinema.

9) The boys were playing/had been playing tennis at 3 o'clock yesterday.

10) Mrs. Davis was upset because she was losing/had lost her purse.