



PAST PERFECT

Exercise 1:

Put the verbs into the correct form (Past Perfect simple).

- A. My little brother ate all of the cake that I _____ (make).
- B. The waitress brought a dish that we _____ (not / order) .
- C. Last night I couldn't get in because I _____ (forget) my keys.
- D. When we arrived at the station, the train _____ (go).
- E. They didn't have any money because they _____ (pay) all the bills.
- F. We had a big party because we _____ (pass) all our exams.
- G. I got to the cinema at 6.30 but fortunately the film _____ (not start) .
- H. I was exhausted because I _____ (study) too much.

Exercise 2:

Put the Past Simple or the Past Perfect.

1. When their mum _____ (come) home last night, the children _____ (eat) their dinner.
2. Yesterday I _____ (see) a woman who _____ (be) at school with my grandfather. Isn't it strange?
3. It started to rain and I _____ (remember) that I _____ (forget) to close my bedroom window.
4. I _____ (find) a book that I _____ never _____ (read)
5. We _____ (try) to change the plane tickets but it was too late they _____ already _____ (edit) the boarding pass.
6. I _____ (think) I _____ (met) this girl before.





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Exercise 3:

Fill the gaps with the verb in brackets using the Past Perfect.

1. By the time we got to the cinema the film _____ (start), so we missed the first five minutes.
2. When I rang the bell there was no answer. The neighbour told me that they _____ (go) about half an hour ago.
3. I saw New York for the first time last night. I _____ (not see) it before.
4. There was so much to see in London. I _____ (plan) to see a lot of things but there wasn't enough time. I'll have to come back.
5. If she _____ (take) my advice, it wouldn't have happened.
6. We wouldn't have had an argument, if they _____ (not mention) politics.
7. If you _____ (not park) there, you wouldn't have got a parking fine.
8. John told me he _____ (buy) a new car.
9. When we arrived in Ireland, the airline company _____ (lose) our luggage, so we had to wait two days to get it back. Fortunately they delivered it to the hotel.

Exercise 4:

Circle the correct answers:

1. I *didn't recognise* / *hadn't recognised* Sue, because she *cut* / *had cut* her hair.
2. I *arrived* / *had arrived* at the shop at 6.45, but it *already closed* / *had already closed*.
3. David *didn't play* / *hadn't played* the match because he *hurt* / *had hurt* his leg.
4. When I *looked* / *had looked* everywhere for my car keys, I *started* / *had started* to panic.
5. When he *had finished* / *finished* his dinner he *sat down* / *had sat down* to watch TV.
6. It *was* / *had been* a film I *didn't see* / *hadn't seen* before.

