

Answer Key: Past Perfect Simple Exercises

Exercise 1: Complete the sentences using Past Perfect Simple

1. By the time we arrived at the cinema, the movie **had started** (start).
2. She was sad because she **had lost** (lose) her favorite book.
3. When I got to the bus stop, the bus **had already left** (leave) already.
4. They **had not finished** (not finish) their homework before the teacher checked it.
5. **Had** you **visited** (visit) London before you moved there?

Exercise 2: Match the two parts of the sentences

1. The children were dirty because **b. they had played in the mud.**
2. I couldn't find my keys because **c. I had left them at school.**
3. The garden looked beautiful because **e. my mom had planted new flowers.**
4. He was tired because **d. he had worked all night.**
5. She knew the answer because **a. she had studied for the test.**

Exercise 3: True or False?

1. She had went to the park before dinner. **False** (Correct form: She had gone to the park before dinner.)
2. We had eaten lunch before we went swimming. **True**
3. Had they seen the movie before? **True**
4. The dog had not caught the ball. **False** (Correct form: The dog had not caught the ball.)
5. My friend had already visited Paris. **True**

Exercise 4: Answer these questions

1. Had you done your homework before watching TV? (Yes) – **Yes, I had done my homework before watching TV.**
2. Had they arrived at the party before you? (No) – **No, they had not arrived at the party before me.**
3. Had the teacher explained the lesson before the test? (Yes) – **Yes, the teacher had explained the lesson before the test.**
4. Had you visited a zoo before last year? (Write your true answer) – **Example answer: Yes, I had visited a zoo before last year. OR No, I had not visited a zoo before last year.**
5. Had it stopped raining before you went outside? (No) – **No, it had not stopped raining before I went outside.**

Exercise 5: Put the events in the correct order

1. **2** I ate breakfast. **1** I woke up.
2. **2** The movie started. **1** We bought tickets.
3. **2** She called her friend. **1** She finished her homework.
4. **2** The teacher arrived. **1** The students sat down.
5. **2** The sun came out. **1** It stopped raining.