

Past Perfect

A1 Beginner

Student Worksheet

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Exercise 1 — True or False? (8 points)

Read each statement. Write **True** or **False**.

1. The Past Perfect is formed with had + past participle.

Answer: _____

2. We use different forms of "had" for different subjects (I haved, she hads, etc.).

Answer: _____

3. The Past Perfect describes the action that happened first in the past.

Answer: _____

4. "Already" with the Past Perfect means something happened later than expected.

Answer: _____

5. The short form of "I had eaten" is "I'd eaten".

Answer: _____

6. "Had never" means something happened many times before.

Answer: _____

7. In "When I arrived, she had left", she left before I arrived.

Answer: _____

8. "Had you finished?" is a correct Past Perfect question.

Answer: _____

Exercise 2 — Multiple Choice (8 points)

Choose the correct form. Circle your answer.

1. When I got to the party, everyone had already ____.

(left / leave / leaving)

2. She ____ never seen snow before she moved to Canada.

(had / has / have)

3. ____ you eaten before you arrived?

(Had / Have / Did)

4. After he ____ the exam, he went out to celebrate.

(had passed / passed / has passed)

5. I was late because I ____ the bus.

(hadn't caught / didn't caught / haven't caught)

6. By the time we arrived, the film ____.

(had already started / already started / has already started)

7. She had just ____ the book when the teacher asked a question.

(finished / finish / finishing)

8. ____ he met her before the wedding?

(Had / Has / Did)

Exercise 3 — Matching (8 points)

Match each sentence (1–8) to the correct description (a–h). Write the letter.

Sentences	Descriptions
1. I had eaten before she arrived. ____	A. A positive Past Perfect sentence — one action before another.
2. He hadn't finished his homework when his mum called.	B. <u>A</u> negative Past Perfect — an action that was not completed.
3. Had you visited London before? ____	C. A Past Perfect yes/no question.
4. She had just left when I arrived. ____	D. Past Perfect with "just" — a very short time before.
5. They had never tried Italian food before that evening.	E. <u>Past</u> Perfect with "never" — no experience before a past moment.
6. After he had packed his bag, he called a taxi. ____	F. Past Perfect with "after" — the first completed action.
7. When we got there, the shop had already closed. ____	G. Past Perfect with "already" — happened before expected.
8. I hadn't seen her for years before we met at the reunion.	H. <u>Negative</u> Past Perfect showing a gap before a past event.

Exercise 4 — Gap Fill (8 points)

Choose the correct form from the brackets.

1. When he woke up, his mum ____ already made breakfast.

(had / has / have)

2. I ____ never been to Paris before that trip.

(had / have / has)

3. ____ she finished the test before the bell rang?

(Had / Has / Have)

4. They were hungry because they ____ eaten all day.

(hadn't / haven't / didn't)

5. After we ____ the film, we went for pizza.

(had watched / watched / have watched)

6. She was upset because she ____ her keys.

(had lost / lost / has lost)

7. By the time I called, he ____ already left.

(he had / he has / he have)

8. ____ you ever tried sushi before last night?

(Had / Have / Did)

Exercise 5 — Word Order (8 points)

Put the words in the correct order to make a sentence.

1. eaten / had / before / I / arrived / she

2. seen / She / never / had / snow / before

3. finished / Had / homework / your / you / ?

4. left / just / He / when / had / I / called

5. met / hadn't / before / They / party / the

6. packed / After / she / she / had / left

7. arrived / the / When / film / already / we / had / started

8. ever / Had / Japan / before / he / visited / ?

Exercise 6 — Word Sort (8 points)

Write each sentence in the correct column of the table below.

Word bank: She had finished her work before lunch. | We had already booked the tickets. | He had never been there before. | He hadn't eaten anything all day. | I hadn't slept well the night before. | She hadn't told anyone about the plan. | Had they met before the conference? | Had you ever tried Thai food before? | Had she called before you left? | I have went to the shop before she called. | They have finished before we arrived. | He had ate all the food before I got there.

Positive	Negative	Question	Incorrect Form
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____

Exercise 7 — Complete the Conversation (8 points)

Choose the correct form from the brackets.

A: We ____ a table online, so we didn't have to wait.

(had booked / booked / have booked)

B: I ____ there before. The food was amazing.

(had never been / have never been / never been)

A: ____ you tried Japanese food before?

(Had / Have / Did)

B: No, I ____ — but now I want to go back!

(hadn't / haven't / didn't)

A: When we arrived, the waiter said they ____ already given our table to someone else!

(had / have / has)

B: What ____ you do?

(had / have / did)

Past Perfect — ANSWER KEY

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TEACHER ANSWER KEY — Do not distribute to students

Exercise 1 — True or False?

1. The Past Perfect is formed with had + past participle.
✓ True
2. We use different forms of "had" for different subjects (I haved, she hads, etc.).
✓ False
3. The Past Perfect describes the action that happened first in the past.
✓ True
4. "Already" with the Past Perfect means something happened later than expected.
✓ False
5. The short form of "I had eaten" is "I'd eaten".
✓ True
6. "Had never" means something happened many times before.
✓ False
7. In "When I arrived, she had left", she left before I arrived.
✓ True
8. "Had you finished?" is a correct Past Perfect question.
✓ True

Exercise 2 — Multiple Choice

1. When I got to the party, everyone had already ____.
✓ left
2. She ____ never seen snow before she moved to Canada.
✓ had
3. ____ you eaten before you arrived?
✓ Had
4. After he ____ the exam, he went out to celebrate.
✓ had passed
5. I was late because I ____ the bus.
✓ hadn't caught
6. By the time we arrived, the film ____.

✓ **had already started**

7. She had just ____ the book when the teacher asked a question.

✓ **finished**

8. ____ he met her before the wedding?

✓ **Had**

Exercise 3 — Matching

1. I had eaten before she arrived.

✓ **A positive Past Perfect sentence — one action before another.**

2. He hadn't finished his homework when his mum called.

✓ **A negative Past Perfect — an action that was not completed.**

3. Had you visited London before?

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Exercise 4 — Gap Fill

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✓ **had**

2. I ____ never been to Paris before that trip.

✓ **had**

3. ____ she finished the test before the bell rang?

✓ **Had**

4. They were hungry because they ____ eaten all day.

✓ **hadn't**

5. After we ____ the film, we went for pizza.

✓ had watched

6. She was upset because she ____ her keys.

✓ had lost

7. By the time I called, he ____ already left.

✓ he had

8. ____ you ever tried sushi before last night?

✓ Had

Exercise 5 — Word Order

1. ✓ I had eaten before she arrived

2. ✓ She had never seen snow before

3. ✓ Had you finished your homework ?

4. ✓ He had just left when I called

5. ✓ They hadn't met before the party

6. ✓ After she had packed she left

7. ✓ When we arrived the film had already started

8. ✓ Had he ever visited Japan before ?

Exercise 6 — Word Sort

Positive:

✓ She had finished her work before lunch.

✓ We had already booked the tickets.

✓ He had never been there before.

Negative:

✓ He hadn't eaten anything all day.

✓ I hadn't slept well the night before.

✓ She hadn't told anyone about the plan.

Question:

✓ Had they met before the conference?

✓ Had you ever tried Thai food before?

✓ Had she called before you left?

Incorrect Form:

✓ I have went to the shop before she called.

✓ They have finished before we arrived.

✓ He had ate all the food before I got there.

Exercise 7 — Complete the Conversation

1. A: We ____ a table online, so we didn't have to wait.

✓ had booked

2. B: I ____ there before. The food was amazing.

✓ had never been

3. A: ____ you tried Japanese food before?

✓ Had

4. B: No, I ____ — but now I want to go back!

✓ hadn't

5. A: When we arrived, the waiter said they ____ already given our table to someone else!

✓ had

6. B: What ____ you do?

✓ had