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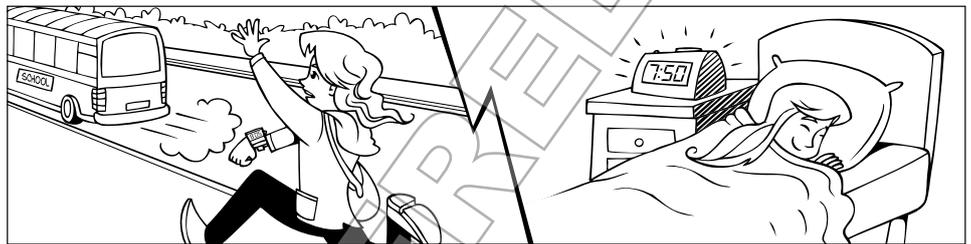
Past Perfect

Presentation

When I **arrived** at the party, my friends **had eaten** all the food.



I **missed** the bus because I **had forgotten** to set my alarm clock.



We use the past perfect when we want to talk about an earlier time in the past than the time of the narrative.

7:50am

8:30am

I **had forgotten** to set my alarm so I **missed** the bus.

To make the past perfect of the verb, we use **had + past participle**.

I	had	forgotten
He/she	had	arrived
They	had	eaten

Practice

1 Read and match.

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| 1 I arrived late at the theatre | a because my brother had already eaten it all. |
| 2 My teacher was happy with me | b because I hadn't slept well the night before. |
| 3 I had finished studying | c because I had already seen the film. |
| 4 I didn't get a piece of cake | d before the party started. |
| 5 Our trainer was very happy that | e and the play had already started. |
| 6 I felt tired yesterday | f before I started playing computer games. |
| 7 I didn't go to the cinema with my friends | g because I had done all my homework. |
| 8 We had decorated the house | h everyone had participated in the school olympics. |

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2 Read and complete. Use the past perfect.

What a day!

Yesterday was terrible! I woke up late because I **(1) had forgotten** (forget) to set my alarm clock. When I went to the kitchen, my little brother **(2) _____** (eat) all the cereals already, so I didn't have time for breakfast. I rushed out of the house to catch my school bus, but when I got to the bus stop, I **(3) _____** (miss) it. When I finally arrived at school, the lessons **(4) _____** (start) and my teacher was not happy with me. After break we had Maths. I opened my school bag to take out my notebook, but I **(5) _____** (leave) it at home along with my P.E. kit. It was volleyball day in P.E., my favourite sport, but I couldn't play since I **(6) _____** (not bring) my kit.

When I arrived home from school, I went to do my homework on the computer, but I found that a glass of water **(7) _____** (fall) on top of it. I tried to turn it on, but the water **(8) _____** (damage) the computer. Luckily, when my mum arrived home she was able to help me. Today has to be a better day!



3 Complete the sentences. Write the past simple or past perfect form of the verbs in brackets.

- She **had studied** (study) English for three years before she **visited** (visit) Scotland.
- My team _____ (win) ten games before we _____ (play) in the championship.
- He _____ (understand) the film better because he _____ (read) the book.
- We _____ (prepare) for weeks before we _____ (do) our final presentation.
- Mary _____ (come) to my house yesterday around 7pm, but I wasn't there.
I _____ (go) to my guitar lesson.
- Tim _____ (not hear) the CD before I _____ (give) it to him.

4 Complete the sentences using the past perfect.

- I was late **because I had slept in** _____.
- My sister was happy _____.
- His arm hurt _____.
- I had purple hair _____.
- My friend was crying _____.