

PAST PERFECT TENSE

A. Complete the sentences with the past perfect form of the verbs in brackets.

1. My plants were dead because my neighbour **hadn't watered** them. (not water)
2. I couldn't get into my flat because I _____ my key. (forget)
3. The teacher was angry because we _____ our homework.
(not do)
4. The man lent me his newspaper after he _____ it. (read)
5. They got to the cinema after the film _____. (start)

B. Write the questions in past perfect.

1. **A: I saw Titanic at the weekend.**

B: you / see / it / before

Had you seen it before?

2. **A: I finished *The Lord of the Rings* last week.**

B: you / read / before

_____?

3. **A: My parents were in Paris last weekend.**

B: they / be there / before

_____?

4. **A: We ate some snails last night.**

B: you / eat them / before

_____?

5. **A: Charles flew a plane last week.**

B: he / fly one / before

_____?

C. Make these sentences into one. Use past perfect and the past simple.

1. I turned off the light. After that I got into bed.

After I had turned off the light, I got into bed.

2. Cindy got dressed. Then she went to work.

After Cindy_____.

3. I saw the film. Then I read the book.

After_____.

4. Ben copied my notes. After that he gave them back to me.

When Ben_____.

5. Kathy and Tom did some exercise. Then they had a shower.

After Kathy and Tom_____.

D. Circle the correct verb.

A.

When I introduced Sue and Tim at my party, they were sure they ¹**met** / **had met** before. They ²**finally discovered** / **had finally discovered** they ³**were** / **had been** on the same holiday the year before.

B.

I was looking for my mobile yesterday morning, but I couldn't find it. I was sure I ⁴**didn't lose** / **hadn't lost** it, because I ⁵**saw** / **had seen** it twenty minutes before. Then I realized that I ⁶**left** / **had left** it in my trouser pocket, and I ⁷**put** / **had put** my trousers in the washing machine!

C.

Last week my neighbor was on holiday. One night I ⁸**heard** / **had heard** a strange noise in her house. I ⁹**went** / **had gone** to have a look, and found that someone ¹⁰**broke** / **had broken** into the house. Luckily, he (or she!) ¹¹**already left** / **had already left** when I got there, and they ¹²**didn't steal** / **hadn't stolen** much- just the TV.