

PRACTICE

Discussing grammar

1 Join the sentences using the conjunction. Put one verb in the Past Perfect.

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| 1 I did my homework.
I went to bed. | WHEN |
| 2 I drove two hundred miles.
I stopped for a coffee. | AFTER |
| 3 She passed her driving test.
She bought a car. | AS SOON AS |
| 4 I didn't go to Italy.
I learned Italian. | UNTIL |
| 5 I read the book.
I didn't understand the film. | ALTHOUGH |
| 6 His mother sent him to bed.
He was naughty. | BECAUSE |
| 7 She burnt the food.
We went out to eat. | SO |
| 8 She cooked a lovely supper.
Unfortunately I ate a large lunch. | BUT |

T 9.7 Listen and compare your answers.

2 Choose the correct words to join the sentences.

- 1 *When / While* I got home, I checked my emails.
- 2 I cut myself *before / while* I was shaving.
- 3 He worked for the same company *until / as* he retired.
- 4 I got out of bed *before / as soon as* I woke up.
- 5 She was thinking about her father *as / until* she was going to work.
- 6 *After / Before* I went to bed, I locked all the doors.
- 7 *After / Before* I left school, I lived abroad for a year.

Your ideas

3 Complete the sentences with your own ideas.

- 1 We enjoyed the holiday although ...
- 2 As I sat on the plane, I felt nervous because ...
- 3 I lived in Sweden for a year, but I ...
- 4 I met my wife while I ...
- 5 I wanted to get fit, so I ...
- 6 My phone rang just as I ...
- 7 Although I didn't feel well, I ...
- 8 We watched TV until ...

Compare your sentences with a partner.

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Past Perfect • Joining sentences • Homonyms
• Narrative tenses • Pronunciation – pronunciation of -ea

Time for a story

Past Perfect

1 The Pied Piper of Hamelin

1 Complete the story with the verb forms in the boxes.

Past Simple

appeared ran left led ate drowned

Past Perfect

had heard had been had come had eaten had brought had done

The Pied Piper of Hamelin



A long time ago there was a town called Hamelin in Germany. It was a wealthy town, and everyone ¹ ate well.

But then there was a plague of rats. No one knew where the rats ² had come from. They ³ _____ up and down every street and in and out of every house. Soon the rats ⁴ _____ every scrap of food in the town. No one had any idea how to get rid of them.

One day a stranger ⁵ _____. He said he was a rat-catcher called the Pied Piper. The people of Hamelin promised to give him as much gold as he wanted if he could get rid of the rats.

The Pied Piper walked along the streets. He ⁶ _____ a special pipe with him, and he played a tune that no one ⁷ _____ before. Rats came out of every corner of the

town and followed the Pied Piper. He ⁸ _____ them to the river, where they all ⁹ _____.

The people of Hamelin were delighted, but it seemed to them that it ¹⁰ _____ very easy for the man to get rid of the rats, so they refused to pay him. The Pied Piper ¹¹ _____ the town in a fury.

A few days later he returned while the townspeople were in church. Once again, he played a tune on his pipe. This time all the children of Hamelin followed him, just as the rats ¹² _____ before. The Pied Piper led the children out of the town and into the mountains, and they were never seen again.

The parents knew it was their fault. Music was never heard again in the streets of Hamelin.



Joining sentences

4 Conjunctions

1 Match a line in **A** with a line in **B**.

A	B
1 She didn't enjoy the party because	a ☐ I couldn't answer any of the questions.
2 Although he was a millionaire,	b ☒ she didn't know anybody there.
3 He was tired, so	c ☐ I tried them in America.
4 I didn't like hamburgers until	d ☐ he bought all his clothes second-hand.
5 She was a beautiful woman, but	e ☐ he went to bed.
6 I was so nervous in the interview that	f ☐ she had a terrible temper.

2 Join the pairs of sentences using the conjunction. Change one verb into the Past Perfect.

1 **when**

I read the letter. I threw it away.

When I'd read the letter I threw it away.

2 **after**

The guests went home. I tidied up.

3 **although**

He earned a lot of money in his life. He died a poor man.

4 **before**

I left the house. She woke up.

5 **until**

We didn't stop cleaning. We did every room in the house.

6 **as soon as**

I wrote my essay. I went to bed.

7 **so**

I was very rude to him. I rang and apologized.

8 **but**

I ran to the station. The train already went.

5 Things parents say

Here are some things that parents say to their children. Complete the sentences with a conjunction.

while when but before or
because until

1 Remember to brush your teeth before you go to bed.

2 Do what I say _____ I'll send you to your room!

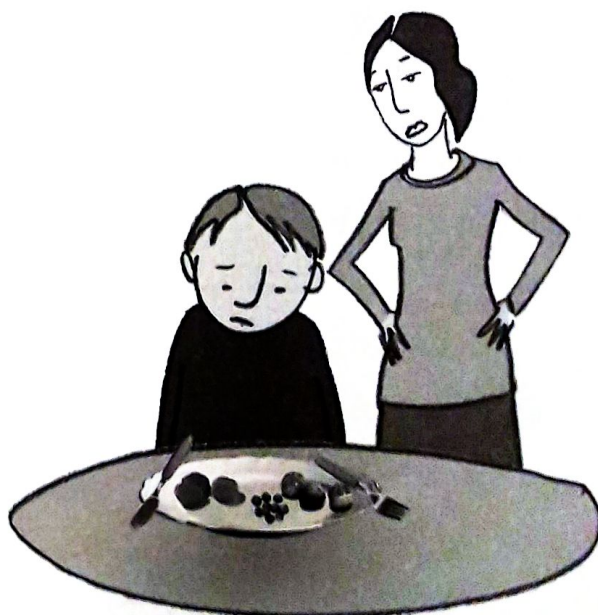
3 _____ someone says 'hello' to you, say 'hello' back.

4 You're laughing, _____ it's not funny.

5 You can't have an ice-cream _____ you didn't eat your vegetables.

6 _____ you're at school, I have to go out to work.

7 You can't leave the table _____ you've eaten what's on your plate.



2 Put the verbs in brackets into the Past Perfect.

- 1 The people were horrified because there _____ never _____ (be) a plague of rats before.
- 2 When the Pied Piper arrived in Hamelin, no one _____ (see) him before.
- 3 He got rid of the rats because the people _____ (promise) to give him a lot of gold.
- 4 When the townspeople came out of church, the children _____ (disappear).
- 5 The Pied Piper wanted revenge because the people of Hamelin _____ (not pay) him.

2 ...because...

1 Make sentences from the chart.

A	B	C
1 I was hungry		spent it all on clothes.
2 I was tired		eaten anything all day.
3 I didn't have any money	because I'd	slept well the night before.
4 I was late for work	because I hadn't	set my alarm clock.
5 My mother was worried		been in touch for a week.
6 My father was angry		crashed his car.

2 Complete the sentences using the verb once in the Past Simple and once in the Past Perfect.

had

- 1 I was hungry because I hadn't had time to eat all day.
- 2 I was hungry, so I had a sandwich and a bowl of soup.

go

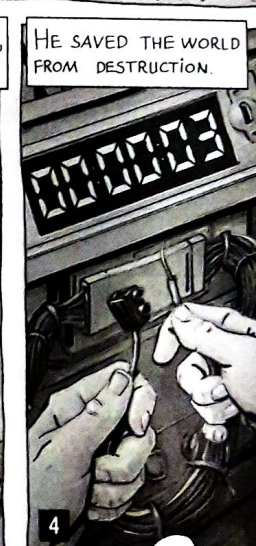
- 3 I was tired last night, so I _____ to bed early.
- 4 I didn't see Jane at the party. She _____ home before I arrived.

give

- 5 I didn't have any money, so Jimmy _____ me £10.
- 6 Henry was a poor man when he died. He _____ all his money to charity.

3 Reordering a story

Look at the pictures. Complete the story using the Past Perfect. Begin at picture 4.



At the end of the day, James Bond sat in his hotel room. He'd had a busy day. He'd saved the world from destruction.