

Language focus 1

Past perfect

1 Complete the sentences with the Past perfect form of the verbs in the box.

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travel won

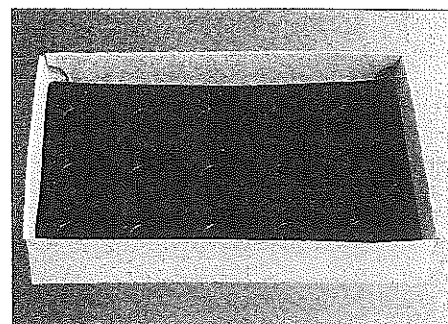
- 1 He asked why I hadn't finished the reports.
- 2 There was no coffee because Mark _____ to buy any.
- 3 Glenn knew he _____ a lot of mistakes in his English exam.
- 4 I phoned about the car for sale but the owner _____ already _____ it.
- 5 The children were very hungry because they _____ any breakfast.
- 6 I was certain I _____ the keys on my desk, but they weren't there.
- 7 Diana was sure she _____ Tony before.
- 8 The children _____ by plane before so they were very excited.
- 9 Mrs Dunn was angry because most of the students _____ their homework.
- 10 United's manager resigned because the team _____ any matches that season.

2 Tick the correct ending.

- 1 Greg felt terrified because ...
a he's never flown before. b he'd never flown before. ✓
- 2 How's Susan?
a I haven't seen her for ages. b I hadn't seen her for ages.
- 3 The group Just Girls are breaking up and ...
a they've only been together for three months.
b they'd only been together for three months.
- 4 We were all very tired because ...
a we've just travelled back from Florida.
b we'd just travelled back from Florida.
- 5 I love eating here. It's the best restaurant ...
a I've ever been to. b I'd ever been to.
- 6 The whole country was in shock because ...
a the President has died. b the President had died.
- 7 It was the first time Juventus ...
a have lost a match. b had lost a match.
- 8 What's the matter?
a You've been depressed all week.
b You'd been depressed all week.

3 Complete the sentences with the correct form of the verb in brackets. (In each sentence, one verb should be in the Past perfect and the others in the Past simple.)

- 1 As soon as the film started (start) Beth realised she 'd seen (see) it before.
- 2 I _____ (be) surprised to find that Mr Cole _____ (leave) the day before.
- 3 Helen _____ (feel) much better after she _____ (have) a good sleep.
- 4 The rain _____ (stop) by the time we _____ (get) to the beach.
- 5 After Sarah _____ (know) Alan for a few weeks he _____ (ask) her out to dinner.
- 6 When Julia _____ (married) Scott she _____ (not realise) he _____ (be married) before.
- 7 Geoff _____ (not see) his parents for 15 years so he _____ (feel) rather nervous at the airport.
- 8 The jazz singer _____ (sing) an old blues song that I _____ (never hear) before.
- 9 When I _____ (write) the letter I _____ (post) it straightaway.
- 10 Melissa _____ (be) angry because her brother _____ (eat) all the chocolates.



Pronunciation

Past perfect and Past simple in connected speech

4a 6.1 Listen and tick the sentences you hear.

- 1 A: She remembered to call her mum.
B: She'd remembered to call her mum. ✓
- 2 A: I found the one I was looking for.
B: I'd found the one I was looking for.
- 3 A: I heard you were in town.
B: I'd heard you were in town.
- 4 A: John left the book in the car.
B: John had left the book in the car.
- 5 A: We thought about staying at home.
B: We'd thought about staying at home.
- 6 A: I booked the table for six o'clock.
B: I'd booked the table for six o'clock.
- 7 A: He emailed me last week.
B: He'd emailed me last week.
- 8 A: We met in a restaurant.
B: We'd met in a restaurant.

b Listen again and practise saying the sentences.




Language focus 2

Reported speech

5a Read the website extract. Then complete the gaps in Stacy's speech.

Stacy, a single woman from London, first met Sam on the internet. Here is some of the information he wrote about himself on the website. Unfortunately, 'Sam Boyd' didn't exist. He was a criminal who already had three 'wives' in different parts of the world. Later Stacy sold her story to a magazine.

WEB-DATER



BASIC INFO

Name Sam Boyd

Location I live in Los Angeles.

Occupation I'm an actor.

Do you have a girlfriend?
I'm not seeing anyone at the moment.

Previous relationships
Nothing serious. I've never been married. In 2004 I was engaged to a girl from Florida but we broke up.

Next visit
I'll be in the UK on business next March.

He told me ¹ _____ his _____ name
² _____ Sam Boyd, but I found out later that his real
name is Michael Rackham. He said he ³ _____ in Los Angeles
and that he ⁴ _____ an actor but actually he had never had a job or a
permanent address. The worst thing was that he said he ⁵ _____ anyone and
that he ⁶ _____ married, but the police records showed that he already has three
'wives'; one in Texas, one in Turkey and one in Austria. And as for the woman in Florida he
said that he ⁷ _____ engaged to, we found out later that he was talking
about his sister who lives there! He told me he ⁸ _____ in the
UK on business in March. He'll get an unwelcome surprise
then. The police will be waiting for him!

b 6.2 Listen and check.

6 Complete sentences 1–10 with a reported form of the statements below.

Fifty-six people have been killed in a train crash.

I practised eight hours every day.

The world is flat.

I'm working with some great people.

I've just got married.

Stephen's doing very well at maths.

You can be anything you want to be!

I'm sure I heard somebody in the garden, Inspector.

People in Brazil use the internet more than anyone.

It'll rain overnight.

1 When I interviewed Mrs Taylor she said that she was sure she'd heard somebody in the garden.

2 On the weather forecast last night they said _____

3 Stephen's teacher told us _____

4 When I was young my father told me _____

5 They said on the news this morning that _____

6 600 years ago, people thought that _____

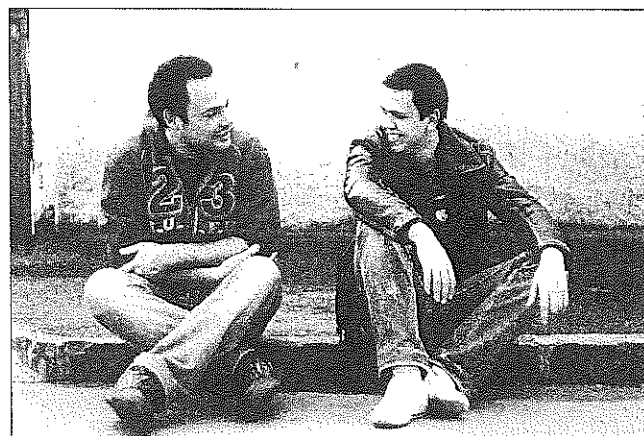
7 I've just been reading an article in *Computer Monthly* which said that _____

8 My ex-boyfriend sent me a letter saying that _____

9 Wayne Rider, the new tennis star, said that when he was young _____

10 In her email about her new job, Nicky told me that _____

7a Put the words in the correct order to make reported questions.



Alessandro has just arrived in London. He wants to improve his English and yesterday he had an interview at a language school. He's telling his friend about the questions he was asked.

1 asked / what / She / my / me / was / name

She asked me what my name was.

2 job / my / wanted / She / was / what / know / to

3 I / She / me / in / had / asked / London / when / arrived

4 lived / wanted / in / She / if / to / I / Rome / know

5 in / was / I / asked / London / She / where / me / living

6 'd / long / I / been / me / She / English / learning / how / asked

7 I / to / wanted / liked / She / if / know / England

8 to / if / She / me / London / 'd / been / before / asked / I

b Write the interviewer's original questions.

1 What's your name?

2 _____

3 _____

4 _____

5 _____

6 _____

7 _____

8 _____

8a Report the questions that Clare was asked.



Clare has just arrived at San Francisco airport where her friend Josh is meeting her. Clare took a long time to go through immigration.

1 Where are you from?

He asked me where I was from.

2 Are you here on holiday?

3 Are you travelling alone?

4 Did you pack your suitcases yourself?

5 Have you been to the USA before?

6 How long will you be in the country?

7 Do you know anyone in San Francisco?

8 Where are you going to stay?

9 How much money do you have with you?

b 6.3 Listen to the questions and report them.

You hear:

You say:

*Where
are you from?*

*He asked
me where I was from.*

Vocabulary
say and tell

9a Find and correct the five mistakes in the sentences below.

- 1 Sorry, what did you ^{say} tell?
- 2 The press report said the president had been in an accident.
- 3 Matthew hasn't told his boss that he's leaving yet.
- 4 Pat's father said her she should be more polite.
- 5 Danny told he was going to the USA.
- 6 Tell to your brother that you're sorry.
- 7 Mr Stuart said a lot about the new plans.
- 8 Could you say me your name again, please?


b Choose the correct words, then complete the sentences with the words in the box.

joke about difference goodbye no off
sorry thank you the truth what

- 1 Bob **said / told** me a good joke about an Englishman, an Irishman and a Scotsman.
- 2 Her teacher **said / told** Tanya _____ for being late.
- 3 If a woman asks you 'Do I look fat in this?' never **say / tell** her _____!
- 4 Jo left the party without **saying / telling** _____.
- 5 Look I've **said / told** _____. Can't we just forget about it?
- 6 Anna's writing a note to her grandparents to **say / tell** _____ for her birthday present.
- 7 Could you **say / tell** me _____ your relationship with the president?
- 8 I asked her if she would go out with me but she **said / told** _____.
- 9 Can you **say / tell** me the _____ between the Canadian and American accent?
- 10 The girl at the helpdesk was great. I explained the problem and she **said / told** me _____ to do.

Listen and read

The world's funniest jokes

- 10  6.4 The University of Hertfordshire conducted research to find the funniest jokes in the world. 350,000 people visited a special site to submit jokes and to vote for their favourite. Here are some of the results of the year-long experiment. Listen and read jokes 1–5 and match them with pictures A–E.



1 The top joke in the UK

A woman gets on a bus with her baby. The bus driver says, 'That's the ugliest baby I've ever seen!' The woman is furious. She says to a man sitting next to her, 'The driver was extremely rude to me.' The man says, 'Go and speak to him. Go ahead, I'll hold your monkey for you.'



2 The top joke in Northern Ireland

A doctor says to his patient, 'I have bad news and worse news.' 'Oh dear, what's the bad news?' asks the patient. The doctor replies, 'You only have 24 hours to live.' 'That's terrible,' says the patient. 'How can the news possibly be worse?' The doctor replies, 'I've been trying to contact you since yesterday.'



3 The top joke in Canada

When the space organisation NASA first started sending up astronauts, they discovered ballpoint pens would not work in zero gravity. To solve the problem, NASA scientists spent ten years and \$12 billion to develop a pen that would write in zero gravity, upside down, under water, on all types of surface, and at temperatures ranging from below freezing to 300°C. The Russians used a pencil.



4 The top joke in Germany

A general noticed one of his soldiers behaving strangely. The soldier used to pick up every piece of paper that he saw, look at it and say, 'That's not it.' This went on for some time until the general arranged for a psychologist to see the man. The psychologist decided that the man was crazy and wrote a letter to say he should leave the army. The soldier picked it up, smiled and said, 'That's it!'



5 The top joke in the world

Two New Jersey hunters are out in the woods when one of them falls down. He doesn't seem to be breathing and he looks very white. The other man takes out his phone and calls the emergency services. 'My friend is dead! What can I do?' The operator says, 'Calm down. I can help. First go and make sure he is dead.' There is a silence, then a shot is heard. Back on the phone, the man says, 'OK, what next?'



Vocabulary

Adverbs for telling stories

- 11 Complete the sentences from an email about moving to Russia with the adverbs in the box.

immediately	eventually
fortunately	gradually
obviously	suddenly
surprisingly	unfortunately

As soon as I got to St Petersburg, I ¹immediately fell in the love with the city. I had some problems getting around at first, but ² _____ the people are very kind and helped me when I got lost on the Metro. I've started Russian lessons and my speaking is ³ _____ improving. The weather's been brilliant. ⁴ _____, there had been no snow until November this year (usually it starts in October). Last Tuesday it ⁵ _____ started snowing in the middle of the afternoon at work and it hasn't stopped since then. My apartment is small but clean and not too expensive. ⁶ _____ it's a long way from the office and I missed the last Metro home last night. I was waiting for a taxi when a man came up to me and started talking to me very loudly. He seemed very strange and ⁷ _____ I felt quite frightened. A young man came and helped me. He waited with me until ⁸ _____ a taxi arrived.

Writing

Checking for mistakes

- 12 Here is a Japanese legend written by a student. The teacher has marked the mistakes using the code in the story. Look at the code and correct the mistakes below.

^ for a missing word
sp for spelling
wo for word order
vf for verb form
ww for a wrong word

The crane

- ¹ Once there was ^a poor hunter who lived in Japan. One day he was hunting and
² he find a crane caught in a tree. He felt sorry for the crane and he freed it.
³ Than he went home and forgot about it.
⁴ A few days later, a lovely woman came to the hunter's house. They felt in love
⁵ and they got married. His wife new was kind and beautiful but he didn't have
⁶ enough money for two people. She saw his problems and offered to weave some
⁷ fabric so that he could sell it – but she said him that he must never watch her.
⁸ She stayed in the weaving hut during three days. At last she came out with a
⁹ beuatiful fabric called Tsuru-no-senba-ori (thousand feathers of a crane). The
¹⁰ hunter sold the fabric for a lot gold. The hunter spent all the gold and he
¹¹ asked her several times to make fabric more. The hunter became richer
¹² and richer but his wife gradually became thinner and thinner.
¹³ Eventually, she said that she can not work because she was too tired.
¹⁴ But her husband was greedy and asked her to weave the fabric once longer.
¹⁵ Three days passed, then four, then five, but she not did come out of the hut.
¹⁶ In the end, on the sixth morning, hunter was so worried that he finally looked
¹⁷ through the window of the hut. To his surprising, it was not a woman but a
¹⁸ crane that was weaving. Finally, his wife came out with the fabric in arms.
¹⁹ She said, 'You have seen my true appearance, so I not can stay with
²⁰ you any longer.' Then she changed into a crane and fly away.

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vf
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