Past Perfect (Nivel B1)

Use:

a) The past perfect is a **narrative tense**. This means it is used when telling a story about the past. It is used in the same paragraph as verbs in the past simple tense, and is often used in the same sentence as a past simple verb.

The past perfect describes an event which happened **before another event in the past**. We use it when we do not want to say the events in the order they happened.

Example:

A sentence with the events in the order they happened: *John went* to the shop on the way home from work, so he <u>got</u> home late. Both verbs are in the past simple.

A sentence in which the events are NOT in order:

John <u>got</u> home late because he <u>had gone</u> to the shop on the way home from work. The event which happened before the other verb is in the past perfect tense.

b) The past perfect is also used in other structures such as:
I wish:
I wish I had cleaned the house!

Third Conditional: If I had practiced harder, we might have won the competition.

Form:

you he / she / it	had	past participle
we they	hadn't	

Write any adverbs between had and the past participle.

The film **had already started**.

The post **had just been** delivered.

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