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adverb

1 BEFORE at an earlier time:

Haven't I met you before somewhere?

Never before had he seen so many people starving.

She looked just the same as before.

2 the day/week/month etc before
the previous day, week, month etc

OPP

She was in Paris last week and in Rome the week before.

3 FRONT (old use) ahead of someone or something else:

The king's herald walked before.

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