



Exercise 31

Past Tense

Name _____

Date _____

Fill in the spaces with the correct form of the verb in parentheses in simple past perfect tense. Then indicate whether the past participle is *regular* or *irregular*.

Note: This exercise offers practice in using negatives in the simple past perfect tense.

Example: Huan (not, want) had not wanted to study chemistry last semester.
(regular / irregular)

- 1) We (not, stand) _____ in the rain long before the gates were opened. (regular / irregular)
- 2) Russ and Becca (not, have) _____ much experience with building before they started their deck. (regular / irregular)
- 3) The Wilsons (not, save) _____ enough money to pay their taxes before the deadline arrived. (regular / irregular)
- 4) He and Carlos (not, work) _____ for six months, then the company rehired them. (regular / irregular)
- 5) The batter (not, swing) _____ at any pitches before he was hit by the ball. (regular / irregular)
- 6) Ivan (not, take) _____ a coat with him; now the temperature was dropping fast. (regular / irregular)
- 7) Carl (not, sleep) _____ long enough when his mother woke him up. (regular / irregular)
- 8) The mechanic (not, fix) _____ the engine yet when we called him last Saturday. (regular / irregular)
- 9) Tyler (not, surf) _____ until he visited his brother in San Diego (regular / irregular).
- 10) The city employees (not, expect) _____ to get a raise in last year's budget. (regular / irregular)

