**Lesson 3: Past Perfect Simple**

*The* ***past perfect simple*** *is made using the auxiliary verb* ***had*** *plus the* ***past participle******(V3)*** *of the main verb.*

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| 1. **Positive** | 1. **Question** |
| I  We  You  They  Plural noun + had + *past participle (V3) + …*  He  She  It  Singular noun | I  We  You  They  Had Plural noun + *past participle (V3) …?*  He  She  It  Singular noun |
| 1. **Negative Usage** | |
| I  *♣ We use* ***past perfect simple*** *for the action that happened before another action or time in the past.*   * We had left school before 9.30pm last night. * She had met Dara before he left Phnom Penh.   We  You  They  Plural noun + had not (hadn’t) + *past participle (V3) +…*  He  She  It  Singular noun | |

**Exercise Practice**

**Instruction 01:** *Complete the gaps with the correct form of* ***past perfect simple*** *with the verbs in the parentheses.*

1. She had lived (live) in China before she came to Cambodia.
2. After they had eaten (eat) the shellfish, they began to feel sick.
3. Had the students turned off (the students/turn off) the lights before they left the class?
4. Julie didn't arrive until after I had left (leave).
5. After we had finished (finish) dinner, we went out.
6. The garden was dead because it had been (be) dry all summer.
7. Had Sreymao visited (Sreymao/visit) Angkor Wat before 2017?
8. We had met (meet) her somewhere before yesterday.
9. We were late for the plane because we had forgotten (forget) our passports.
10. She told me she has studied (study) a lot before the exam.
11. What had he done (he/do) before he went to bed last night?
12. The grass was yellow because it hadn’t rained (not/rain) all summer.
13. The lights went off because we had not piad (not/pay) the electricity bill.
14. How many letters had written (you/write) to Sreymao before she replied?
15. The children had not done (not/do) their homework, so they were in trouble.
16. They had not eaten (not/eat), so we went to a restaurant.
17. How much had you known (you/know) Borey before you decided to share your room with him?
18. We couldn't go into the concert because we had not brought (not/bring) our tickets.
19. She said that she had not visited (not/visit) the UK before.

Had her mother told (her mother/tell) her a bedtime story before she slept last night?

**Instruction 02:** *Identify the use of the* ***past perfect simple*** *in each of the following sentences.*

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| No | Sentences | Happened before another past action | Happened before time in the past |
| 1 | The reporter hadn't told the cameraman to get ready when the president walked into the room. | □ | □ |
| 2 | I had printed the report before he gave me the updates. | □ | □ |
| 3 | She hadn't completed the article when the news changed everything. | □ | □ |
| 4 | The students had written the report, but the teacher made them do it again. | □ | □ |
| 5 | They had already eaten by the time he arrived. | □ | □ |
| 6 | We had already finished our homework before last week. | □ | □ |
| 7 | Before 10pm last Tuesday night, Sambath had already had a bath. | □ | □ |
| 8 | We had seen Borith at the party before we went home | □ | □ |
| 9 | After we had reviewed our lessons, we watched a football game. | □ | □ |
| 10 | What had you cooked for dinner last night? | □ | □ |
| 11 | How hard had you studied before the final exams? | □ | □ |
| 12 | When I arrived home, Sok and Sao had already slept. | □ | □ |
| 13 | Before they got married, they had visited Kampot. | □ | □ |
| 14 | We were late for the plane because we had got up late. | □ | □ |