

## Lesson 1 - Past Simple or Past Perfect

Past Simple	Past Perfect
<b>Form</b> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 10px; text-align: center;">Sub + V2...</div> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- I <b>did</b> my homework last week.</li> <li>- In 2002, they <b>left</b> England.</li> <li>- <b>Did</b> you go out last night?</li> <li>- Sreymao <b>was</b> not at the office yesterday.</li> </ul>	<b>Form</b> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 10px; text-align: center;">Sub + had + V3...</div> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>Had</b> you <b>met</b> Dara before 9.00am?</li> <li>- When we arrived at the station, the train <b>had</b> already <b>left</b>.</li> <li>- They <b>hadn't come</b> to Phnom Penh before.</li> </ul>
<b>Use</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• We use 'past perfect' for the action that happened before another past action (past simple) or time. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- The train <b>had already left</b> when we <i>arrived</i>.</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <div style="text-align: center; margin: 20px 0;"> </div> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> <div style="width: 45%;"> <p>♣ <b>After</b> + sub + had + V3 (past perfect)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- After I had met Sreymao, I went home.</li> <li>- I went home after I had met Sreymao.</li> </ul> </div> <div style="width: 45%;"> <p>♣ <b>Before</b> + sub + V2 (past simple)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Before I went home, I had met Sreymao.</li> <li>- I had met Sreymao before I went home.</li> </ul> </div> </div>	

## Exercise Practice

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

1. When we arrived (arrive) at the station, the bus had left.
2. She was tired because she cleaned (clean) the house.
3. I was worried because I didn't (not, study) for the exam.
4. I had eaten breakfast before I \_\_\_\_\_ (go) to work.
5. Sreymao was excited after she \_\_\_\_\_ (pass) the Bac II examination.
6. My aunt flew to Paris last year. She \_\_\_\_\_ (never, be) on a plane before that.
7. The thieves had already spent the money when the police \_\_\_\_\_ (catch) them.
8. We \_\_\_\_\_ (know) her address because she \_\_\_\_\_ (tell) us.
9. The children \_\_\_\_\_ (not eat) for days, so they \_\_\_\_\_ (be) extremely hungry.
10. She didn't want to go to the cinema, for she \_\_\_\_\_ (already, see) the film.
11. My niece \_\_\_\_\_ (be) to London three times by the time she \_\_\_\_\_ (be) sixteen.
12. It was half past three, and we still \_\_\_\_\_ (not, eat) lunch.
13. Our teacher \_\_\_\_\_ (give) us extra homework, for we \_\_\_\_\_ (not finish) our essays.
14. My father \_\_\_\_\_ (lose) his glasses, so he couldn't read the newspaper.
15. The car \_\_\_\_\_ (stop) because we had run out of petrol.
16. By the time I \_\_\_\_\_ (meet) John, Sreymao had left college.
17. When I \_\_\_\_\_ (ask) her to help me, she \_\_\_\_\_ (agree).
18. I thought I \_\_\_\_\_ (read) that book before, but I hadn't.
19. I \_\_\_\_\_ (know) I had seen her somewhere before.
20. When we \_\_\_\_\_ (get) home, my wife realized that she \_\_\_\_\_ (lose) her purse.