



**BEST**  
**TIPS AND TRICKS**



**PAST PERFECT**  
**RULES** //



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Rule → 1 [Past Perfect] + Before + Past Indefinite Tense

OR

⇒ [had + V<sub>3</sub>] + Before + [V<sub>2</sub>]

OR

\* Before + V<sub>2</sub> + , + [had + V<sub>3</sub>] //



eg:- The train had left (leave) before I  
reached the station.  
 V<sub>2</sub>

eg:- Seema had taken (take) food before  
 I reached home.  
 V<sub>2</sub>

eg → Before I finished my work, he had gone  
 (go) to Delhi.  
 V<sub>2</sub>



R-2Afterbefore + V<sub>2</sub>

V <sub>2</sub>	+	After	+	had	+	V <sub>3</sub>
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OR.

After + had + V<sub>3</sub> + , + V<sub>2</sub>

eg:- I played<sub>V<sub>2</sub></sub> cricket after I had  
finished (finish) my homework.



eg:- I reached there after I had  
met (meet) him.

eg → After I had met (meet) him, I reached there.

eg:- He started playing guitar after  
his lover had come (come).

(come)	V <sub>1</sub>	come
आना	V <sub>2</sub>	came
	V <sub>3</sub>	come



## R-3 Conditional Sentence

If + Past Perfect + , + S + (would + have) + V<sub>3</sub> + obj.

(had + V<sub>3</sub>)

अदि तुम मेरे पास पहले आये होते तो मैं तुम्हारी मदद कर चुका होता।

If you had come <sup>earlier</sup> (come) to me, I would have helped you.



Note

⇒ No sooner — than.

⇒ Hardly / scarcely — when.

Past perfect

had + V<sub>3</sub>

⇒ No sooner had — I reached the station  
than he left for Mumbai.  
V<sub>2</sub>



eg He had hardly Completed (complete) his  
pending tasks when his officer came.  
✓<sub>2</sub>

eg:- You had hardly agreed (agree) with  
me when his father came. //



eg. ① If you invited (invite) me, I would  
invite you.

*(V<sub>2</sub>)*  
*(V<sub>1</sub>)*

② If you had invited (invite) me, I would  
have invited you.

*(V<sub>3</sub>)*





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