



## Lesson 3: Past Perfect Simple

The **past perfect simple** is made using the auxiliary verb **had** plus the **past participle (V<sub>3</sub>)** of the main verb.

1. Positive	2. Question
<div> <div> I We You They Plural noun He She It Singular noun </div> <div>}</div> </div> <div>+ had + <i>past participle (V3)</i> + ...</div>	<div> <div> I We You They Plural noun He She It Singular noun </div> <div>}</div> </div> <div>Had + <i>past participle (V3)</i> ...?</div>
3. Negative	Usage
<div> <div> I We You They Plural noun He She It Singular noun </div> <div>}</div> </div> <div>+ had not (hadn't) + <i>past participle (V3)</i> +...</div>	<div> <p>♣ We use <b>past perfect simple</b> for the action that happened before another action or time in the past.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- We had left school before 9.30pm last night.</li> <li>- She had met Dara before he left Phnom Penh.</li> </ul> </div>



## Exercise Practice

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

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

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.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2	I had printed the report before he gave me the updates.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3	She hadn't completed the article when the news changed everything.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4	The students had written the report, but the teacher made them do it again.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
5	They had already eaten by the time he arrived.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
6	We have already finished our homework before last week.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
7	Before 10pm last Tuesday night, Sambath had already had a bath.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
8	We had seen Borith at the party before we went home	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
9	After we had reviewed our lessons, we watched a football game.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
10	What had you cooked for dinner last night?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
11	How hard had you studied before the final exams?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12	When I arrived home, Sok and Sao had already slept.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
13	Before they got married, they had visited Kampot.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
14	We were late for the plane because we had got up late.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>



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