PAST PERFECT

Exercise 1:

Make the past perfect:

| 1. When I arrived at the | cinema, the film | (start). | | |
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| 2. She | (live) in China before | she went to Thailand. | | |
| . After they (eat) the shellfish, they began to feel sick. | | | | |
| 4. If you (listen) to me, you would have got the job. | | | | |
| 5. Julie didn't arrive unti | l after I | (leave). | | |
| 6. When we | (finish) dinner, | we went out. | | |
| 7. The garden was dead | because it | (be) dry all summer. | | |
| 8. He | _ (meet) her before son | newhere. | | |
| 9. We were late for the _l | olane because we | (forgot) our passports. | | |
| 10. She told me that she | e(st | cudy) a lot before the exam. | | |
| 11. The grass was yellow | v because it | (not / rain) all summer. | | |
| 12. The lights went off b | ecause we | (not / pay) the electricity bill. | | |
| 13. The children | (not / do) th | neir homework, so they were in trouble. | | |
| 14. They (not / eat) so we went to a restaurant. | | | | |
| 15. We couldn't go into the concert because we (not /bring) our tickets. | | | | |
| 16. She said that she | (not / v | risit) the UK before. | | |
| 17. Julie and Anne | (not / mee | et) before the party. | | |
| 18. I (not / have) breakfast when he arrived. | | | | |
| 9. He (not / use) email before, so I showed him how to use it. | | | | |
| 20. You | (not / study) for the t | test, so you were very nervous. | | |

Exercise 2:

Complete the sentences with the past perfect of the verb in brackets. Use contractions where possible.

| 1. | Kevin (go) home by the tim | e I arrived. |
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| 2. | Ethan suddenly realised that he | (leave) his laptop on the train. |
| 3. | Mum was annoyed because I | (not clean) my room. |
| 4. | (they / study) English bef | ore they went to the USA? |
| 5. | We were hungry because | (not eat). |
| 6. | My phone didn't work because I | (not charge) it. |
| 7. | Why didn't you want to watch the film? | (you / see) it before? |
| 8. | Sally was embarrassed because she | (forget) her dad's birthday. |

ANSWER KEY

Exercise 1:

- 1. When I arrived at the cinema, the film **had started**.
- 2. She **had lived** in China before she went to Thailand.
- 3. After they **had eaten** the shellfish, they began to feel sick.
- 4. If you had listened to me, you would have got the job.
- 5. Julie didn't arrive until after I had left.
- 6. When we had finished dinner, we went out.
- 7. The garden was dead because it **had been** dry all summer.
- 8. He had met her before somewhere.
- 9. We were late for the plane because we had forgotten our passports.
- 10. She told me that she **had studied** a lot before the exam.
- 11. The grass was yellow because it **hadn't rained** all summer.
- 12. The lights went off because we **hadn't paid** the electricity bill.
- 13. The children **hadn't done** their homework, so they were in trouble.
- 14. They **hadn't eaten** so we went to a restaurant.
- 15. We couldn't go into the concert because we **hadn't brought** our tickets.
- 16. She said that she **hadn't visited** the UK before.
- 17. Julie and Anne **hadn't met** before the party.
- 18. I hadn't had breakfast when he arrived.
- 19. He **hadn't used** email before, so I showed him how to use it.
- 20. You hadn't studied for the test, so you were very nervous.

Exercise 2:

- 1. Kevin **had gone** home by the time I arrived.
- 2. Ethan suddenly realized that he 'd left his laptop on the train.
- 3. Mum was annoyed because I hadn't cleaned my room.
- 4. Had they studied English before they went to the USA?
- 5. We were hungry because **hadn't eaten**.
- 6. My phone didn't work because I hadn't charged it.
- 7. Why didn't you want to watch the film? **Had you seen** it before?
- 8. Sally was embarrassed because she **had forgotten** her dad's birthday.