

Past Perfect Tense Worksheet

Intermediate B1–B2 · Side A

Name: _____ Date: _____ Score: / 20

Exercise A · Fill in the blank (Q1–5)

Use the past perfect form (*had + past participle*).

1. By the time we arrived, she ___ (leave) already.
→ _____
2. He ___ (never see) snow before he moved to Canada.
→ _____
3. They ___ (finish) dinner before the guests arrived.
→ _____
4. She was tired because she ___ (work) all day.
→ _____
5. ___ you ___ (meet) him before the party?
→ _____

Exercise B · True or False (Q6–10)

Write *T* (*true*) or *F* (*false*).

6. The past perfect is formed with *had + past participle*.
Answer: _____
7. It describes an action that happened after another past action.
Answer: _____
8. 'By the time', 'before', and 'after' are common time markers.
Answer: _____
9. The past perfect can be used with both regular and irregular verbs.
Answer: _____
10. 'She had went to school' is grammatically correct.
Answer: _____

Past Perfect Tense Worksheet — Side B

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Exercise C · Combine the sentences (Q11–14)

Use the past perfect to show which happened first.

11. The film started. We arrived. (before)

→ _____

12. She ate. She went to the dentist. (after)

→ _____

13. He lost his keys. He got home. (by the time)

→ _____

14. They had an argument. They didn't speak. (because)

→ _____

Exercise D · Multiple choice (Q15–17)

Choose the correct tense.

15. When I arrived, the meeting ____.

(a) already started (b) had already started (c) has already started

16. She was nervous because she ____ in front of a crowd before.

(a) never spoke (b) had never spoken (c) hasn't spoken

17. By 2010, they ____ the bridge.

(a) built (b) have built (c) had built

Exercise E · Write your own sentences (Q18–20)

Use the past perfect for each prompt.

18. Something you had done before age 10 → ____

→ _____

19. Explain why someone was happy/sad using past perfect → ____

→ _____

20. Use 'by the time' + past perfect → ____

→ _____

Answer Sheet — Past Perfect Tense Worksheet

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Exercise A — Fill in the blank

Q1–5

1. had already left
2. had never seen
3. had finished
4. had worked
5. Had ... met

Exercise B — True or False

Q6–10

6. T
7. F
8. T
9. T
10. F

Exercise C — Combine the sentences

Q11–14

11. The film had already started before we arrived.
12. She went to the dentist after she had eaten.
13. By the time he got home, he had lost his keys.
14. They didn't speak because they had had an argument.

Exercise D — Multiple choice

Q15–17

15. had already started
16. had never spoken
17. had built

Exercise E — Write your own sentences

Q18–20

18. (own answer)
19. (own answer)
20. (own answer)

Total: 20 points · Side A: Q1–10 · Side B: Q11–20