



## Die Vorvergangenheit

## The Past Perfect Tense

REPEAT

Sie bezeichnet von zwei aufeinanderfolgenden vergangenen Handlungen die erste (frühere). Sie wird mit „had“ und dem „past participle“ gebildet.

Ms Percy lives near London in a small flat. She works in an office. She loves her job, but when she thinks about her life, she finds it boring.



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That's what she did yesterday:

<b>First</b>	<p>she woke up.</p> <p>she took a shower.</p> <p>she had breakfast in the kitchen.</p> <p>she put on her coat.</p> <p>she locked the door.</p> <p>she found a seat on the train.</p> <p>she left the train station.</p> <p>she said "good morning" to her boss.</p> <p>she looked at the emails.</p> <p>left the office.</p> <p>she had something to eat.</p> <p>she watched the news.</p> <p>she saw the end of the film.</p>	<b>Then</b>	<p>she went to the bathroom.</p> <p>she got dressed.</p> <p>she brushed her teeth.</p> <p>she left the flat.</p> <p>she walked to the train station.</p> <p>read a newspaper.</p> <p>she took a bus to the office.</p> <p>she started her computer.</p> <p>she made some telephone calls.</p> <p>she went home.</p> <p>she switched on the TV.</p> <p>she saw a film on TV.</p> <p>she switched off the TV and went to bed.</p>
<b>Next morning</b>	<p>she woke up and went to the office.</p>	<b>Then</b>	<p>she said to her boss, "I think I need a holiday."</p>



**Connect the two sentences by using the past perfect tense.**

<b>past perfect tense</b>	<b>past tense</b>
After she <b>had woken</b> up, ↓ Die 1. Handlung ist zu Ende	she <b>went</b> to the bathroom. ↓ bevor die 2. beginnt..
When she <b>had taken</b> a shower, ↓ Die 1. Handlung ist zu Ende	she <b>got</b> dressed. ↓ bevor die 2. beginnt.
After she <b>had had</b> breakfast in the kitchen, ↓ Die 1. Handlung ist zu Ende	she <b>brushed</b> her teeth. ↓ bevor die 2. beginnt.
When she <b>had put</b> on her coat, ↓ Die 1. Handlung ist zu Ende	she <b>left</b> the flat. ↓ bevor die 2. beginnt.
After she <b>had locked</b> the door, ↓ Die 1. Handlung ist zu Ende	she <b>walked</b> to the train station. ↓ bevor die 2. beginnt.

**Please go on .....**

When she **had found** a seat on the train, she **read** a newspaper.

After she **had left** the train station, she **took** a bus to the office.

After she .....



**Für die Past Perfect Tense brauchst du das “past participle” (= die dritte Form) der Verben.**

Du solltest die drei Formen der “irregular verbs” regelmäßig wiederholen.

**Für diesen Text brauchst du:**

had woken up (wake – woke – woken) = aufwachen

had taken (take – took – taken) = nehmen (hier: duschen = take a shower)

had had (have – had – had) = haben

had put on (put – put – put) = anziehen

had found (find – found – found) finden

had left (leave – left – left) = verlassen – (hier: aussteigen)

had said (say – said – said) = sagen

had seen (see – saw – seen) = sehen

had woken up (wake – woke – woken) = aufwachen



**Nun kannst du den Tagesablauf beschreiben. Use „after“ oder „when“**

After she had woken up, she .....



When she had ....., she .....

After she had ....., she .....

After she had ....., she .....

When she had ....., she .....

**Go on and write the rest of the sentences into your exercise book.**



GRAMMAR LIGHT – PAST PERFECT



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**Remember Mike and his new bike.**

**Please read the text and fill in the blanks.**

**Use the past perfect form after each “had”.**

**For the rest of the verbs use the past tense (2<sup>nd</sup> form).**

After Mike **had** ..... (earn) enough money, he ..... (go) to the bike shop with his father. There they ..... (look at) the shiny new bikes.

Mike **had** ..... (see) a beautiful red bike, and his father ..... (ask) how much it cost. The shop assistant told them the price. It was quite expensive. “Count your money,” said Mike’s father.

After Mike **had** ..... (count) his money, he ..... (see) that it was not enough. He ..... (be) very sad. “Bad luck,” said his father. “You’ll have to do some more work.” Mike went to work:

After he **had** ..... (work) in the garden he ..... , (go) shopping for Mum.

After he **had** ..... (go) shopping for Mum, he ..... (clean) the garage.

When he **had** ..... (clean) the garage, he ..... (mow) the lawn.

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## GRAMMAR LIGHT – PAST PERFECT

After he **had** ..... (mow) the lawn, he .....  
(repair ) some broken toys.

When he **had** ..... (repair) some broken toys, he  
..... (paint) the front door of the house.

Then he ..... (count) his money.

When he **had** ..... (count) his money, he .....  
(see) that it was enough.

Then he went to the bike shop with his Dad, and they .....  
(buy) the beautiful red bike.

**Past tense**

2<sup>nd</sup> form

**Past perfect tense**

had +past participle (3<sup>rd</sup> form)

**REMEMBER  
THE VERBS**

### CHECKPOINT

Here is a list of the verbs you need to complete the text:

earn – earned – earned (verdienen)

go – went – gone (gehen)

look – looked – looked (schauen)

see – saw – seen (sehen)

ask – asked – asked (fragen)

count – counted – counted (zählen)

see – saw – seen (sehen)

be – was – been (sein)

work – worked – worked (arbeiten)

go – went – gone (gehen)

clean – cleaned – cleaned (säubern)

mow – mowed – mowed (mähen)

repair – repaired – repaired

(reparieren)

paint – painted - painted (malen)

count – counted – counted (zählen)

see – saw – seen

buy – bought – bought (kaufen)

**Practice makes perfect.**

Are you are ready for repeating some irregular verb forms? Complete the list, and then mark the German word and the respective English form with a highlighter (Text marker).

**Don't do more than five or six lines at a time.**

Note: For the Past Perfect Tense in English you must always use "had".

In German you use either "war" gegangen, gekommen ...." oder "hatte" geschrieben, gesehen ...."

Simple Present	Simple Past	Past Perfect Tense	
I begin	I began	I had begun	ich beginne
I break	I broke	I had broken	ich hatte gebrochen
I bring	I brought	I had .....	ich brachte
he buy <sup>s</sup>			er kauft
she come <sup>s</sup>			sie kam
it cost <sup>s</sup>			es hatte gekostet
I do			ich tat
we drink			wir tranken
he drive <sup>s</sup>			er war gefahren
they eat			sie essen
we fall			wir waren gefallen
I find			ich hatte gefunden
he get <sup>s</sup>			er bekommt
we give			wir gaben
she go <sup>es</sup>			sie war gegangen
I have			ich hatte
we hear			wir hatten gehört
I know			ich weiß
they leave			Sie gehen fort
he make <sup>s</sup>			er machte
I pay			ich hatte gezahlt



Simple Present	Simple Past	Past Perfect Tense	
we put			wir nahmen
I read			ich hatte gelesen
it rings			es hatte geläutet
he runs			er läuft
we say			wir sagen
I see			ich hatte gesehen
they sell			sie verkauften
we shake			wir schütteln
it shines			es scheint
they shut			sie schließen
she sings			sie hatte gesungen
I sit			ich saß
we sleep			wir schliefen
he speaks			er sprach
I spend			Ich spende
I stand			ich war gestanden
he steals			er hatte gestohlen
we strike			wir streikten
I swim			ich schwimme
I swing			ich schwang
we take			wir nahmen
she teaches			sie unterrichtet
I tell			ich hatte erzählt
we think			wir hatten gedacht
she wakes up			sie war aufgewacht
I wear			ich trage
I write			ich hatte geschrieben