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اسم المحاضرة التاسعة باللغة الإنكليزية : **Past perfect (I had done)**

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Sundus and Bassim **went** to the same party last week, but they **didn't see** each other. Bassim **left** the party at 11.30 and Sundus **arrived** at 12 o'clock.

So when Sundus **arrived** at the party, Bassim **wasn't** there. He **had gone** home.

had gone is the **past perfect**:

The past perfect (simple) is **had + past participle** (gone/seen/finished etc.).

Sometimes we talk about something that **happened in the past**:

Sarah **arrived** at the party.

This is the starting point of the story. Then, if we want to talk about things that **happened** before this time, we use the **past perfect** (had ...):

When Sarah **arrived** at the party, Paul **had already gone** home.

Some more examples:

When we **got** home last night, we **found** that somebody **had broken** into the flat.

Karen **didn't come** to the cinema with us. She'd **already seen** the movie.

At first I **thought** I'd **done** the right thing, but I soon **realised** that I'd **made** a big mistake.

The people sitting next to me on the plane **were** nervous. They **hadn't flown** before. Or They'd **never flown** before.

Compare **present perfect** (have seen etc.) and **past perfect** (had seen etc.):

Present perfect

Who is that woman? I've seen her before, but I can't remember where.
We aren't hungry. We've just had lunch.
The house is dirty. They haven't cleaned it for weeks.

Past perfect

I wasn't sure who she was. I'd seen her before, but I couldn't remember where.
We weren't hungry. We'd just had lunch.
The house was dirty. They hadn't cleaned it for weeks.

Compare **past simple** (left , was etc.) and **past perfect** (had left , had been etc.):

Past simple

a: Was Tom there when you arrived?
b: Yes, but he left soon afterwards.
Kate wasn't at home when I phoned.
She was at her mother's house.

Past perfect

a: Was Tom there when you arrived?
b: No, he'd already left .
Kate had just got home when I phoned.
She'd been at her mother's house.

Exercises

Read the situations and write sentences using the words in brackets.

1 There was a picture lying on the floor.

(It / fall / off the wall) **It had fallen off the wall.**

2 The people sitting next to you on the plane were nervous. It was their first flight.

(They / not / fly / before) **They hadn't flown before.**

3 You went back to your home town recently after many years. It wasn't the same as before.

(It / change / a lot) **It**

4 Somebody sang a song. You didn't know it.

(I / not / hear / it / before) **I**

5 I invited Rachel to the party, but she couldn't come.

(She / arrange / to do something else)

6 You went to the cinema last night. You got to the cinema late.

(The film / already / start)

7 Last year we went to Mexico. It was our first time there.

(We / not / be / there / before) **We**

8 I met Daniel last week. It was good to see him again after such a long time.

(I / not / see / him for five years)

9 I offered my friends something to eat, but they weren't hungry.

(They / just / have / lunch)

10 Sam played tennis yesterday. He wasn't very good at it because it was his first game ever.

(He / never / play / before)