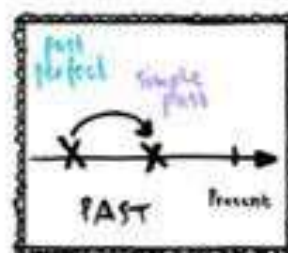


# Past Perfect



## When to USE

Past Perfect is used to talk about an action/event that happened before another action in the past and is already over.

We use the SIMPLE PAST to say what happened in the past.

## How to FORM:

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

John had lost his mobile so he was unhappy.  
SIMPLE PAST

**-** **had not** + **past participle**

Louis felt sad because Sam had not called her.

**?** **Had** + **SUBJECT** + **Past Participle**

Had you eaten (before you played tennis)?

There are no direct signal words but indicators:

AFTER  
ALREADY  
BEFORE  
AS SOON AS  
ONCE  
BECAUSE  
SO



MAKE YOUR OWN EXAMPLE SENTENCES

# Past perfect Progressive

## Use

- Past action that already started and continued up to another action/time in the past.

- To express Duration before an event in the past.

- To describe the cause of something in the past

## Signal Words

→ When

→ For / since

→ Because

## Form

+ Subject + had been + Verb + ing

— Subject + Had not been + Verb + ing

? Had + Subject + Been + Verb + ing