Past perfect

5 esercizi · livello B1–B2 (indicativo, QCER) · soluzioni su un foglio separato

Nome _____ Classe _____ Data _____

1. Had + participio passato B1

Scrivi il verbo tra parentesi al past perfect simple (*had* + participio passato). Se c'è *not*, la frase è negativa; *already* e *just* vanno tra *had* e il participio.

1. By the time I got to the party, most of my friends _____ (go) home.
2. Chiara was nervous because she _____ (not / drive) in London before.
3. We had to wait outside because the restaurant _____ (not / open) yet.
4. When I opened the fridge, I saw that my flatmate _____ (eat) all the yoghurt.
5. Tom _____ (just / leave) when you phoned.
6. _____ you _____ (meet) Sofia before the wedding?
7. The fans were singing in the streets because their team _____ (win) the final.
8. Lorenzo looked relaxed and tanned: he _____ (have) two weeks by the sea.
9. They _____ (not / book) a room, so they spent ages looking for a hotel.
10. Laura _____ (already / buy) the tickets, so we went straight in.

2. Che cosa era successo prima? B1

Scegli la forma corretta. In ogni frase c'è un momento del passato che fa da punto di riferimento.

1. The shop _____ by the time I got there, so I went home empty-handed.
   ☐ has closed ☐ closes ☐ had closed
2. I didn't recognise Paolo at first because he _____ off his beard.
   ☐ had shaved ☐ has shaved ☐ was shaving
3. Before last summer, Giorgio had never _____ a horse.
   ☐ rode ☐ ridden ☐ ride
4. The flat was spotless: someone _____ it while we were out.
   ☐ cleans ☐ has cleaned ☐ had cleaned
5. _____ you ever been to Edinburgh before you moved to Glasgow?
   ☐ Did ☐ Had ☐ Have
6. We were starving because we _____ anything since breakfast.
   ☐ didn't eat ☐ haven't eaten ☐ hadn't eaten
7. When the guests arrived, Marta _____ the table yet.
   ☐ hadn't laid ☐ didn't lay ☐ hasn't laid

8. It was the first time Luca _____ sushi, and he loved it.
   ☐ tries ☐ had tried ☐ has tried

9. How long _____ there before they moved to Bologna?
   ☐ had they lived ☐ have they lived ☐ did they lived

10. They were exhausted because they _____ around Florence all day.
    ☐ had been walk ☐ had been walking ☐ have been walking

3. Negative e domande B1

Riscrivi la frase nella forma indicata. Il tempo non cambia: resta al past perfect simple o continuous. Ricorda che *'d* davanti a un participio vale *had*.

1. She'd already seen the film.
   → **INTERROGATIVA** _____

2. The kids had been playing outside.
   → **NEGATIVA** _____

3. You had told him the truth.
   → **INTERROGATIVA** _____

4. The museum had closed early.
   → **NEGATIVA** _____

5. He'd been working all night.
   → **INTERROGATIVA** _____

6. Marco had finished his homework before dinner.
   → **INTERROGATIVA** _____

7. I'd heard that song before.
   → **NEGATIVA** _____

8. It had been snowing all morning.
   → **INTERROGATIVA** _____

9. Giulia had been expecting a call.
   → **NEGATIVA** _____

10. You had heard the news.
    → **INTERROGATIVA NEGATIVA** _____

4. Past simple, past perfect o continuous? B2

Scegli tra le due forme. Chiediti che cosa è successo prima e se la frase parla di una durata o di un risultato.

1. By the time the taxi arrived, we _____ for forty minutes.
   ☐ were waiting ☐ had been waiting

2. I got up, _____ a quick shower and left the house.
   ☐ had ☐ had had

3. Emma _____ Luca for ten years when they finally got married.
   ☐ had been knowing ☐ had known

4. By the end of March, Sara _____ three chapters of her thesis.
   ☐ had written ☐ had been writing

5. In 2019 we _____ to Leeds, and two years later we bought a house.
   ☐ had moved ☐ moved

6. Silvia was annoyed because she _____ for me since ten o'clock.
   ☐ has been waiting ☐ had been waiting

7. After the guests _____, we tidied up and went to bed.
   ☐ had left ☐ were leaving

8. It was the third time that week that Giacomo _____ his keys.
   ☐ was losing ☐ had lost

9. I didn't need to queue because I _____ my ticket online the week before.
   ☐ had bought ☐ was buying

10. Last night I _____ my homework, watched a film and went to bed early.
    ☐ finished ☐ had finished

5. Trova l'errore B2

In ogni frase c'è un errore di tempo o di forma. Tocca la parte sbagliata e correggila con il past simple, il past perfect simple o il past perfect continuous.

1. By the time we got to the stadium, the match already started.

   CORREZIONE _____

2. I had been knowing Francesca since primary school when we started working together.

   CORREZIONE _____

3. When I got home, I realised that I have left my umbrella on the train.

   CORREZIONE _____

4. She was working at the bakery for six years when it closed down.

   CORREZIONE _____

5. Before that trip, Anna has never been on a plane, so she was quite nervous.

   CORREZIONE _____

6. After we had eaten, we had gone for a walk along the river.

   CORREZIONE _____

7. By the time the sun came up, Giulia had been running ten kilometres.

   CORREZIONE _____

8. Mia was tired because she had been studied all afternoon.

   CORREZIONE _____

9. I couldn't pay for my coffee because I had forgot my wallet.

CORREZIONE _____

10. How long you had been waiting when the doors finally opened?

CORREZIONE _____

Soluzioni

Past perfect

1. Had + participio passato

1. **had gone** (anche had already gone)
2. **had not driven** (anche had never driven)
3. **had not opened**
4. **had eaten**
5. **had just left**
6. **Had ... met**
7. **had won**
8. **had had**
9. **had not booked**
10. **had already bought**

2. Che cosa era successo prima?

1. **had closed**
2. **had shaved**
3. **ridden**
4. **had cleaned**
5. **Had**
6. **hadn't eaten**
7. **hadn't laid**
8. **had tried**
9. **had they lived**
10. **had been walking**

3. Negative e domande

1. **Had she already seen the film?** (anche Had she seen the film already?, Had she seen the film yet?)
2. **The kids had not been playing outside.**
3. **Had you told him the truth?**
4. **The museum had not closed early.**
5. **Had he been working all night?**
6. **Had Marco finished his homework before dinner?**
7. **I had not heard that song before.** (anche I had never heard that song before.)
8. **Had it been snowing all morning?**
9. **Giulia had not been expecting a call.**
10. **Hadn't you heard the news?**

4. Past simple, past perfect o continuous?

1. **had been waiting**
2. **had**
3. **had known**
4. **had written**
5. **moved**
6. **had been waiting**
7. **had left**
8. **had lost**
9. **had bought**
10. **finished**

5. Trova l'errore

1. **already started. → had already started** (anche had started already, had started)
2. **had been knowing → had known**
3. **have left → had left** (anche left)
4. **was working → had been working** (anche had worked)
5. **has never been → had never been** (anche had not been)
6. **had gone → went**
7. **had been running → had run** (anche had already run)
8. **had been studied → had been studying** (anche had studied)
9. **had forgot → had forgotten** (anche forgot)
10. **you had been → had you been**

Valgono anche le forme contratte ed estese equivalenti: *don't* = *do not*, *isn't* = *is not*. Spiegazioni di ogni risposta su inglesechiaro.com/past-perfect/