

GRAMMAR: TENSES: CASES & EXAMPLES (PAST)

1. Identify the tense, match with the correct description.

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| <p><u>4</u> I had read most of his novels by the end of the holiday.</p> <p>-</p> <p><u>10</u> I was talking on the phone while Tim was watching football on TV.</p> <p>-</p> <p><u>9</u> We got up at half past six this morning.</p> <p>-</p> <p><u>5</u> They were still considering his proposal that evening.</p> <p>-</p> <p><u>13</u> She jogged five miles every day when she was young.</p> <p>-</p> <p><u>12</u> She had a shower, got dressed quickly and left for the airport.</p> <p>-</p> <p><u>1</u> Reporters had been telephoning all morning.</p> <p>-</p> <p><u>2</u> A crowd of tourists were waiting outside the hotel when the lights went out.</p> <p>-</p> <p><u>8</u> He made his last film in Poland</p> <p>-</p> <p><u>3</u> They had been going out for five years before they decided to get married.</p> <p>-</p> <p><u>11</u> She was upset because she had just heard the news.</p> <p>-</p> <p><u>6</u> The police "officer changed her phone number because she had been receiving anonymous calls for several weeks.</p> <p>-</p> <p><u>7</u> The dancer had always dreamed of becoming successful.</p> <p>-</p> | <p>1. Past Perfect Continuous as the past equivalent of the Present Perfect Continuous</p> <p>2. past action in progress interrupted by another past action</p> <p>3. action continuing over a period up to a specific time in the past</p> <p>4. past action which occurred before another action or before a stated time</p> <p>5. action in progress at a stated past time</p> <p>6. past action of certain duration which had visible results in the past</p> <p>7. Past Perfect as the past equivalent of the Present Perfect</p> <p>8. action not connected to the present and which happened at a definite past time not mentioned</p> <p>9. complete action or event which happened at a stated past time</p> <p>10. two or more simultaneous past actions</p> <p>11. complete past action which had visible results in the past</p> <p>12. past actions which happened one immediately after another</p> <p>13. past habit or state</p> |
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| <p><u>6</u> People used to have/had very simple lives in those days.</p> | <p>1. to put emphasis on the duration of an action which started and finished in the past before another past action</p> |
| <p><u>2</u> She was talking on the phone when her boss came in.</p> | <p>2. action in progress when another action interrupted it</p> |
| <p><u>5</u> Sam was in hospital because he had crashed his car.</p> | <p>3. action which lasted for some time in the past and whose result was visible in the past</p> |
| <p><u>3</u> They had been studying hard all morning, so they were tired.</p> | <p>4. action which happened before another past action or before a stated time in the past</p> |
| <p><u>8</u> I was cooking lunch while he was pouring the drinks.</p> | <p>5. action which finished in the past and whose result was visible in the past</p> |
| <p><u>1</u> We had been living in the house for a year before we decorated the kitchen.</p> | <p>6. past habit or state which is now finished</p> |
| <p><u>10</u> Princess Diana did a lot of work for charity.</p> | <p>7. action which was in progress at a stated time in the past</p> |
| <p><u>7</u> At two o'clock this afternoon they were having lunch at work.</p> | <p>8. two or more simultaneous actions</p> |
| <p><u>9</u> First, she knocked on the door. Then, she went inside.</p> | <p>9. actions which happened immediately one after the other in the past</p> |
| <p><u>4</u> We had bought the tickets before we went to the theatre.</p> | <p>10. to talk about actions of people who are no longer alive</p> |