

# Language Focus Unit 1

## Past perfect and past simple

- 1 Complete the sentences with the verbs in the correct place. Use the past perfect and past simple form in each sentence.

When my parents arrived home, the party hadn't ended. (not end / arrive)

- 1 After Josey \_\_\_\_\_ her driving test, her dad \_\_\_\_\_ her a car. (buy / pass)
- 2 We \_\_\_\_\_ in the café after our exams \_\_\_\_\_. (celebrate / finish)
- 3 By the time he \_\_\_\_\_ ten, David \_\_\_\_\_ that he wanted to be a doctor. (be / decide)
- 4 I \_\_\_\_\_ the school where my dad \_\_\_\_\_ a student. (be / see)
- 5 Joe \_\_\_\_\_ any of my friends before he \_\_\_\_\_ to the picnic. (come / not meet)
- 6 Jessie \_\_\_\_\_ scared because she \_\_\_\_\_ on a plane before. (not be / feel)
- 7 They \_\_\_\_\_ me to hospital because I \_\_\_\_\_ pneumonia. (get / take)
- 8 Before I \_\_\_\_\_ to London \_\_\_\_\_ fish and chips. (go / not eat)

## Past narrative tenses

- 2 Correct the underlined mistakes in the email. One of the items is correct.

Hi Greg,

How had been your summer? Mine was brilliant! In August, my parents and I (1) were going to London! My brother (2) wasn't coming with us because he (3) was wanting to go camping with his friends. While we (4) were sightseeing in 'The Big Smoke', we decided to visit the Tower of London – that's the tower where the guards wear big black hats. Those men are called Beefeaters. Anyway, the tour that we (5) were taking was really interesting and I learned a lot. After the tour (6) had finish, I went into the gift shop. I was shopping in there when I (7) had found the perfect souvenir for you! Let's meet up, so I can give it to you!

Eleanor

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| <u>was</u> | 4 _____ |
| 1 _____    | 5 _____ |
| 2 _____    | 6 _____ |
| 3 _____    | 7 _____ |

- 3 Order the words to make sentences. Use the correct form of the verbs.

on Skype / all night / talk (*past continuous*) / the friends

The friends were talking on Skype all night.

- 1 the park / not have (*past simple*) / fun / we / at  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 2 jog (*past continuous*) / I / in the park / it / when / to snow / start (*past simple*)  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 3 phone (*past simple*) / we / after / the police / someone / our car / steal (*past perfect*)  
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- 4 at five o'clock last night / you plan (*past continuous*) / the birthday celebration / ?  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 5 an old record player / she / she / while / the garage, / tidy (*past continuous*) / find (*past simple*) /  
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