Greek Orthodox Patriarchate School





Worksheet No. (4)

Name :		Subject:	The Past Tenses	
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The Past Simple and the Past Continuous

Jse: We use this tense to talk about actions	Use: We use this tense to talk about actions that were
hat happened in the past and ended.	happening in the past when another action interrupted
Form:	Form:
L.For positive sentences,we use:	1.For positive sentences:
I.Regular v+ed	subject+was/were +(v+ing)
Spelling rules for adding -ed:	Spelling rules for adding -ing
a.verbs ending in -e, we add d:	a.verbs ending in –e, we drop the e and add –ing:
dance-danced	dance-dancing
o.verbs ending in a -consonant vowel	b.verbs ending in a consonant vowel consonant, we
consonant , we double the last consonant and	double the last consonant and add ing:
add ed:	sit-sitting
stop-stopped	note that these verbs don't have the rule of doubling
note that these verbs don't have the rule of	the last consonant: (open- listen- wonder- cover-
doubling the last consonant: (open-listen-	develop- wander- happen)
wonder- cover- develop- wander- happen)	
c.verbs ending in a -vowel +y, we add ed:	c.verbs ending in –ie, we change the ie into y then add
play-played	the ing:
verbs ending in a -consonant +y, we change	lie-lying
he y into i then we add ed:	
study-studied	2. For negative sentences:
	subject+was/were + not +(v+ing)
2.Irregular (see the attached list)	
	3. For interrogative sentences:
<pre>2.For negative sentences: subject+didn't + v(inf)</pre>	Was/Were +subject (v+ing)?
B.For interrogative sentences: Did +subject +	
(inf)?	
	Indicators:
	As/While past continuous past simple
ndicators:	
/esterday-last (week/month/night/year	When past simple past continuous
etc)-ago-in <u>year in the past</u>	

Look at the following past simple examples:	Look at the following past continuous examples:
I lived in New York .	I was living in New York.
The cat went round the street.	The cat was going round the street.
John drove a taxi.	John was driving a taxi.
He did not drive a bus.	He wasn't driving a taxi.
We did not work at night.	We weren't working .
Did you play football?	Were you playing football?
Did she work in a bank?	Was she working in a bank?

Ex 1. Complete the table by adding (ed) and (ing) to the given verbs

verb	+ed	+ing
wander		
watch		
lie		
enjoy		
wash		
dance		
travel		
collect		
happen		
mix		
walk		
arrive		
stop		
tie		
tidy		
stay		
cancel		
open		

miss	
try	
play	
jump	
pray	
study	
clean	

Ex 2. Complete these sentences in the past simple, using the correct verb from the box:

cook - visit - open - close - stop - clean - help - invite - rain - buy - arrive

- 1. We some delicious pasta for dinner last night.
- 2. The train at the station five minutes ago.
- 3. He a new pair of shoes last weekend.
- 4. My friends us to their birthday party.
- 5. The shop at nine o'clock in the morning.
- 6. It all day yesterday, so we stayed at home.
- 7. She the windows before the guests came.
- 8. They their grandparents in the countryside.
- 9. The students the teacher with carrying the books.
- 10. The bank at four o'clock in the afternoon.

Ex 3. Fill in the blanks with a correct form, the past simple or the past continuous:

- 1. A: What (you, do).....when the accident occurred?
- B: I (try) to change a light bulb that had burnt out.
- 2. After I (find)..... the wallet full of money, I (go,

immediately)..... to the police and (turn)..... it in.

3. The doctor (say) thatTom (be) too sick to go to work and

that he (need) to stay at home for a couple of days.	
4. Sebastian (arrive) at Susan's house a little before 9:00 PM, but some the library for examination in French.	
5. Sandy is in the living room watching television. At this time yesterday, she (wat also) television. That's all she ever does!	ch,
6. A: I (call)you last night after dinner, but you (be, not) the Where were you? B: I (work) out at the fitness center.	iere.
7. When I (walk) into the busy office, the secretary (talk) on the phone with a customer, several clerks (work, busily) methods to improcustomer service.	t their
8. I (watch) a mystery movie on TV when the electricity went out. never going to find out how the movie ends.	Now I am
9. Sharon (be) in the room when John told me what happened, didn't hear anything because she (listen, not)	but she
10. It's strange that you (call) because I (think, just)	
about you.	
11. The Titanic (cross) the Atlantic when it (hit) an iceb	erg.
12. The firemen (rescue) the old woman who (be)on the third floor of the burning building.	trapped
13. She was so annoying! She (leave) her dirty dishes in the sink. I she (want, actually) me to do them for her.	think
14. Samantha (live) in Berlin for more than two years. In fact, she	ž

15. We (have)...... an online lesson when the Internet (be)suddenly disconnected.

The Past Perfect Tenses

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Past Perfect	Past Perfect Continuous	
There are two past tenses used to describe things that happen before another point in time in the past. Use the past perfect to talk about an event which had happened at some point in time before something took place.	The past perfect continuous is used to express how long something had been going on before something important happened in the past. Jane had been studying for four hours when he	
Tom had interviewed five times before he got his first job. She had already eaten by the time they arrived.	came home. Jack had been driving four over six hours when he finally pulled over to have lunch. Form:	
Form:	Form.	
Subject + had + past participle	Subject + had + been + verb + ing	
I, You, He, She, We, They had finished before I arrived.	I, You, He, She, We, They had been working for two hours when she telephoned.	
Negative	Negative Subject + had + not (hadn't) + been + verb + ing	
Subject + had + not (hadn't) + past participle		
I, You, He, She, We, They hadn't eaten before he finished the job.	I, You, He, She, We, They hadn't been paying attention for long when he asked the question.	
Questions	Questions	
Question word + had + subject + past participle	Question word (often 'How long') + had + been + subject + verb + ing	
What -> had he, she, you, we, they thought before I asked the question?	How long -> had he, she, you, we, they been working before he arrived?	
Key words:	Key Words:	
after, before, by the time, by a past time, because	For (a number of hours, days, weeks) + before, when, until / all day, all week, all month, all year/ How long? + before, until	
Examples:		
She needed help because someone had stolen her car.	They had been watching TV for two hours when the lights went off.	
He passed the test because he had studied a lot.	Anna had been playing volley ball for 3 hours	

After she had done her homework, she visited me. when I picked her up. My brother had been working in this University I came home after I had finished shopping. for three years before I graduated. They had sold everything before they moved to Glasgow. The water had been boiling for half an hour before anybody noticed it. By the time the police arrived, the thief had I had been waiting for my friend all day before he escaped. arrived. By 2001, he had graduated from the university. How long had you been studying English before you moved to London?

Exercise 1. Put the verbs in brackets in the past perfect simple or the past perfect continuous.

1.James	at the university	for more than a year before he left for
London.(teach)		
2. Before we parked our o	car ,we	the ticket. (collect)
3.The roads were blocked (snow)	in the morning. It	all night.
4. How long	you	(wait) before she came?
5.They went to the beach	after they	studying. (finish)
6.She called the police aft	er she	the light in the hall. (see)
7.She didn't go to work be	ecause she	her leg. (break)
8.After he	(finish) his brea	ıkfast, he went to work.
9.He had an accident beca	ause he	(drive) too fast.
10.Mum	(cook) for ho	urs when the guests arrived.
11.The show started after	everyone	(sit) down.
12. The housearrived.	(be) completely	burnt by the time the firefighters

13. The childrenthem.	(run) for half an hour before the teacher called
14.The ship landed in Nice after it	(sail) for two days.
15. He(move) apartment.	his furniture before he went to live in his new
16.Ben apologized after he	(make) a mistake.
17.I didn't want to read the book agai	n because I(read) it.
18.They were hungry because they	(swim) all day.
19. After she	_ (take) a French course, she travelled to France.
20. Before the guests arrived, my mot	her (cook).
Exercise 3. Rewrite the sentences usi 1. I cleaned the house, then I wen	
Before	
2. Sarah took a secretary course, t	then she got a job in a big company.
After	
3.Tom took his driving license, the	n he bought a car.
before	
4.My mother bought some meat a	nd vegetables, then she cooked.
after	

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for it today