

Unit 6 Transitions

Lesson A: The Past Perfect

A Complete each sentence with the past perfect form of the verb in parentheses.

1. I _____ (see) the movie before, but it was better the second time.
2. Arturo _____ (be) to Texas twice before.
3. Mr. Hernandez _____ (work) at the company for 23 years before he retired.
4. Lee _____ (read) all of the books in the library, so he borrowed some from his friends.
5. Denise _____ (learn) all of the vocabulary before she took the test.

B Complete each sentence with the correct form of the verbs in parentheses (simple past or past perfect).

1. He _____ (plan) to become a teacher, but instead he _____ (get) a job as a manager.
2. I _____ (not be) worried about the exam because I _____ (study) all week.
3. When we _____ (meet) Shang, she _____ already _____ (start) working at the hospital.
4. Diane _____ (learn) some Spanish before she _____ (start) the program.
5. Valeria _____ (not hear) the good news before she _____ (arrive) at the party.

C Complete the paragraph with the simple past or past perfect forms of the verbs in the box.

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I (1) _____ many friends at my new school until I (2) _____ the basketball team. I (3) _____ very nervous on the first day of practice. My brother (4) _____ me that basketball was a fun sport, but I (5) _____ it much before, and I (6) _____ any of the other kids. But as soon as we (7) _____ playing, I found that I really (8) _____ it and made friends with my teammates easily.

D Complete the sentences using the past perfect and your own ideas.

1. I was nervous on my first day of English class because _____.
2. I started studying English because _____.
3. I got a good grade on the project because _____.
4. The test was very difficult because _____.
5. I was late to class because _____.