

St. Francis ESOL post-lesson handout

-What's the past perfect simple tense?

past perfect simple describes an event further back in the past simple!

* Anderson said that the past perfect simple is like '**more, deeper**' past!

-How do we form it?

We need to use 'had' and change the verb form into the past participle (p.p).

Infinitive (base form) - past simple - **past perfect**

Ex) Lisa **had seen** (past perfect) Jacob when Jacob **had** (past simple) walk down the street.

-List of the verb in past tenses

infinitive	past simple	past participle
be	was	been
become	became	become
begin	began	begun
bring	brought	brought
buy	bought	bought
choose	chose	chosen
come	came	come
do	did	done
drink	drank	drunk

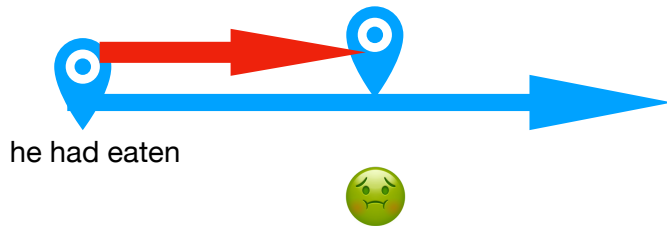
past perfect (blue)
past simple (yellow)

Example sentences

Anderson **had been** in Paris from 1900 to 1914 before he **moved** to New York in 1920.



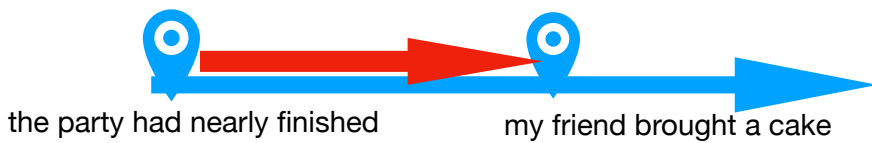
after he **had eaten** an outdated fruit, Mr. John **became** very ill.



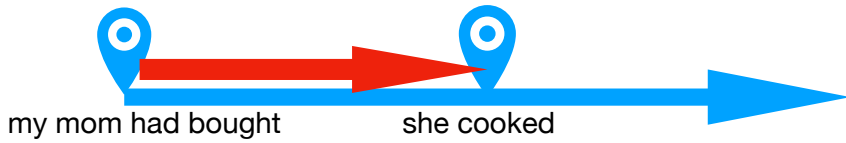
the movie **had just begun** when my friend **arrived**.



when the party **had nearly finished**, my friend **brought** a cake.



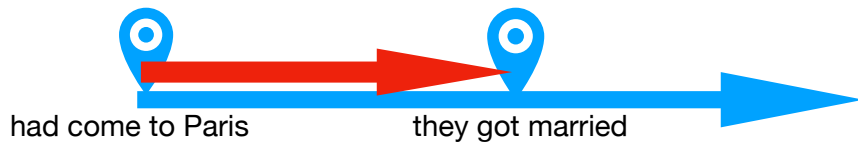
yesterday, after my mom **had bought** a nice salmon, so she **cooked** a salmon for dinner.



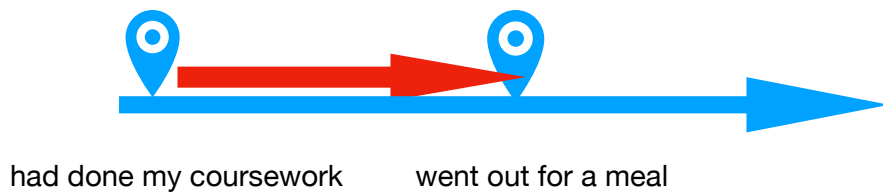
after ms. Franklin **had chosen** to eat fruit, her health **went much better**.



my parents **had come** to Paris before they **got married**.



I **had done** my coursework before I **went out** for a meal with my friends.



mr. Johnson **bought** a coffee for his friends, but they **had already drunk** coffee in the morning.



