

**Activity (01)/** Read the sentences and the questions, and circle the correct answers.

1. Ann has bought a new coat. *Has she got the coat now ?* YES/PERHAPS
2. Grandma came to stay with us. *Is Grandma with us now ?* YES/  
PROBABLY NOT
3. I made a cup of tea. *Is there tea now ?* YES/ PROBABLY NOT
4. Eric has made a cake. *Is there a cake now ?* YES/ PROBABLY NOT
5. Jane went to France. *Is she there now ?* YES/ PROBABLY NOT
6. Alan has gone to France. *Is she there now ?* YES/ DON'T KNOW
7. Pat and Al started a business. *Is the business still running ?* YES/ DON'T  
KNOW
8. Sue has started guitar lessons. *Is she taking lessons now ?* YES/ DON'T  
KNOW
9. The cat has run away. *Is the cat at home now ?* NO/ DON'T KNOW
10. The doctor sent Bill into hospital. *Is he there now ?* YES/ DON'T KNOW
11. Pete lost his glasses. *Has he got his glasses now ?* NO/ DON'T KNOW
12. Ann has cut all her hair off. *Has she got any hair now ?* NO/ DON'T KNOW

**Activity (02)/** Circle the correct answers.

1. I didn't recognise/hadn't recognised Helen, because she cut/had cut her  
hair very short.
2. No one understood/had understood how the cat got/had got into the car.
3. Joe didn't play/hadn't played in the game on Saturday because he  
hurt/had hurt his arm.
4. When I looked/had looked in all my pockets for my keys, I started/had  
started to get very worried.
5. Liz never travelled/had never travelled by train before she went/ had gone  
to Europe.
6. I arrived/ had arrived at the shop at 5 :30, but it already closed/ had  
already closed.
7. I didn't have/ hadn't had much money after I paid/ had paid all my bills  
last week.

**Activity (03)/** Put in the simple past or the past perfect.

1. Bill.....anybody how he.....into the house. (not tell ;  
get)
2. Emma.....to France last week. Before that, she.....never.....outside  
Ireland. (go ; be)
3. When their mother.....home, the children.....all the sweets.  
(get ; eat)

4. Yesterday I.....a man who.....at school with my grandmother.  
(meet ; be)
5. It.....to rain, and I.....that I.....my window. (start ;  
remember ; not close)
6. I.....a letter on my desk that I.....never.....(find ;  
open)
7. I.....Bob I couldn't go to the theatre, but he.....already.....  
the tickets. (tell ; buy)

**Activity (04)/** Make sentences using the past perfect.

1. Jan finished her dinner. Then she sat down to watch TV.  
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2. David phoned his girlfriend. Before that he did his piano practice.  
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3. George ate all the chocolate biscuits. Then he started eating the lemon  
ones.  
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4. I turned off the lights in the office. Then I locked the door and left.  
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5. I borrowed Karen's newspaper. Before that she read it.  
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6. Mark had a long hot shower. Before that he did his exercises.  
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7. Barry phoned his mother with the good news. Then he went to bed.  
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**Activity (05)/** Complete the sentences with verbs from the box.

*analyse assume create debate design ensure predict run substitute want*

1. Our statistics department has recently ..... the last year's marketing  
performance.
2. Right through human history, people ..... works of art based on the natural  
world.
3. As far back as our records reach, people ..... the end of the world.
4. My friend Alistair ..... always ..... that he is right and everybody else is  
wrong.
5. For the last ten years, I ..... advanced computer systems.
6. It seems that for a long time some wine producers ..... cheap wines for  
more expensive ones - it's a very profitable business.

7. The same family always ..... this business.
8. Parliament ..... the question for three days now without reaching a conclusion.
9. For nearly 1,000 years, Britain's island situation . . . its freedom from invasion.
10. Since I first met her, I ..... to ask her out, but I'm too shy.

**Activity (06)/** Choose the best way of completing each sentence.

1. After I tried I had tried to phone her six times, I gave up and went out'
2. As soon as he saw I had seen me he gave me a big smile.
3. Once the dogs went I had been for their walk, they settled down quietly.
4. When I called I had called Annie, she pretended not to hear.
5. After I painted I had painted the kitchen ceiling I decided to stop for a rest.
6. When everybody voted I had voted, the results were announced almost immediately.
7. When Lttcy came in I had come in, everybody stopped talking.
8. When I sent I had sent the email, I realised I had made a terrible mistake.
9. Once I telephoned I had telephoned everybody, I wondered what to do next.
10. When I got I had got home, I went straight to bed.
11. When I opened I had opened the door, the children ran in.
12. When they mapped I had mapped the whole territory, they returned to their headquarters.

**Activity (07)/** Complete the sentences' using verbs from the box'

*Ask be drink feel have have meet play see see*

1. This is the first time I.....well for months.
2. This is the best film we.....for ages.
3. It was the first time I.....CocaCola, and I really didn't like it.
4. It's the third time she.....in love this year.
5. I played terribly. I think it was the worst game I.....ever.....
6. That week in Spain was the best holiday I.....in my life.
7. This is the first warm day we.....this year.
8. It was the first time she.....her boyfriend's family.
9. In the bath was the biggest spider I.....ever.....
10. That's the third time you.....me the same question.

**Activity (08)/** Write fifteen sentences about experiences you have had, using it was the first/ best/ worst etc.

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