

FORM	USE	EXAMPLE
<p>Past Simple I / You / He / She / It / We / They changed.</p> <p>Did I / you / he / she / it / we / they change?</p> <p>I / You / He / She / It / We / They did not (didn't) change.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ολοκληρωμένες πράξεις που έγιναν σε συγκεκριμένη στιγμή στο παρελθόν • πράξεις που έγιναν η μία μετά την άλλη στο παρελθόν • συνήθειες ή πράξεις στο παρελθόν 	<p>Julianne <i>graduated</i> from Oxford University three years ago.</p> <p>Will <i>set</i> the alarm, <i>grabbed</i> his keys and <i>ran</i> out of the house.</p> <p>When I <i>was</i> young, we <i>took</i> the tram into town every weekend.</p>
<p>Past Continuous I / He / She / It was running. We / You / They were running.</p> <p>Was I / he / she / it running? Were we / you / they running?</p> <p>I / He / She / It was not (wasn't) running. We / You / They were not (weren't) running.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • πράξεις που ήταν σε εξέλιξη σε συγκεκριμένη στιγμή στο παρελθόν • μία πράξη που ήταν σε εξέλιξη στο παρελθόν και διακόπηκε από μία άλλη πράξη • δύο πράξεις που γίνονταν ταυτόχρονα στο παρελθόν • για να περιγράψουμε το σκηνικό / την ατμόσφαιρα σε μία αφήγηση 	<p>I <i>was having</i> a shower at eight o'clock last night. That's why I didn't hear the phone.</p> <p>While we <i>were jogging</i> around the block we bumped into an old friend of ours.</p> <p>Dan <i>was planting</i> a tree while Lily <i>was watering</i> the plants.</p> <p>It was perfect! The sun <i>was shining</i>, our guests <i>were arriving</i> and music <i>was playing</i> softly in the background.</p>

Χρονικές εκφράσεις

Past Simple

yesterday, ago, last week/month/year, in April, in the 90s, in those days, in 2003, in the morning/afternoon/evening, at night, back then

Past Continuous

at nine o'clock, (at five o'clock) yesterday, as, while, at that time, last week/year, on Thursdays, this morning

ALERT!

Δεν χρησιμοποιούμε stative verbs σε χρόνους διαρκείας.

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<p>used to I / You / He / She / It / We / They used to swim.</p> <p>Did I / you / he / she / it / we / they use to swim?</p> <p>I / You / He / She / It / We / They did not (didn't) use to swim.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • συνήθειες ή καταστάσεις στο παρελθόν 	<p>When my sister and I were younger, we <i>used to ride</i> our bikes to school.</p> <p>Hannah <i>used to be</i> very shy, but now she's much more confident.</p> <p>I <i>didn't use to eat</i> fish often, but now I'm trying to eat healthily so I eat it once a week.</p>
<p>would I / You / He / She / It / We / They would ('d) speak.</p> <p>Would I / you / he / she / it / we / they speak?</p> <p>I / You / He / She / It / We / They would not (wouldn't) speak.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • συνήθειες στο παρελθόν αλλά όχι καταστάσεις 	<p>As students, we <i>would always have</i> lunch in the canteen.</p> <p>When I worked in advertising, I <i>would never leave</i> the office before nine in the evening.</p>

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Past Perfect Simple I / You / He / She / It / We / They had ('d) eaten. Had I / you / he / she / it / we / they eaten? I / You / He / She / It / We / They had not (hadn't) eaten.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • μία πράξη ή κατάσταση που είχε συμβεί πριν από κάποια συγκεκριμένη χρονική στιγμή στο παρελθόν • μία πράξη ή κατάσταση που είχε συμβεί πριν από κάποια άλλη πράξη στο παρελθόν 	It was midnight and the children <i>had already gone</i> to bed. The burglar <i>had already escaped</i> when the police <i>arrived</i> .
Past Perfect Continuous I / You / He / She / It / We / They had ('d) been walking. Had I / you / he / she / it / we / they been walking? I / You / He / She / It / We / They had not (hadn't) been walking.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • μία πράξη σε εξέλιξη στο παρελθόν πριν από κάποια άλλη πράξη ή χρονική στιγμή • μία πράξη που είχε ολοκληρωθεί ή ήταν σε εξέλιξη στο παρελθόν και είχε ορατό αποτέλεσμα στο παρελθόν 	Pat <i>had been training</i> for hours when he hurt his leg. Amy looked exhausted as she <i>had been working</i> all afternoon.

Χρονικές εκφράσεις

Past Perfect Simple

after, as soon as, before, until, when, already, barely ... when, by the time, hardly ... when, it was the first time, for, since, how long, just, ever, the previous day/month/year, no sooner ... than,

Past Perfect Continuous

all day/night/week long, for, since, How long ...?, years before/earlier

ALERT!

Δεν χρησιμοποιούμε stative verbs σε χρόνους διάρκειας.

Grammar in Action

A Complete the sentences with the correct form of the verbs. Use past tenses.

- By the time we arrived at Wimbledon, the tennis final *had almost finished* (almost finish).
- I *had been driving* (drive) for three hours before I *realised* (realise) I was totally lost!
- When the fire fighters finally *reached* (reach) the area, the forest fire *had already burnt* (already burn) a number of houses.
- Tanya *had never thought* (never think) of becoming a doctor before she *met* (meet) the volunteers in Africa.
- My roommate *was playing* (play) the drums loudly while I *was trying* (try) to finish my homework.
- The author *had* (have) a great idea, *turned on* (turn on) his computer and *started* (start) writing.
- Had you noticed* (you / notice) that my hair was different before I *mentioned* (mention) it to you?
- The passengers *were waiting* (wait) in the departure lounge to board their plane when they *heard* (hear) about the cancellation.
- While the actors *were rehearsing* (rehearse) for the play, the star *fell off* (fall off) the stage and *broke* (break) her arm.
- Before I *saw* (see) the documentary on TV last night, I *had never heard* (never / hear) of the Tuareg people.

E Choose the correct answers.

- By the time Elisa ___ at the theatre, the play ____.
 a arrived / had already begun b had arrived / began
- Every Saturday the athlete ___ around the park to keep fit.
 a used to run b was running
- Our teacher ___ about our results a few weeks before he ___ them to us.
 a knew / was giving b knew / gave
- My colleague and I ___ on the experiment for a year before we ___ a solution.
 a were working / were finding b had been working / found
- Once the burglar ___ any jewellery he found, he ___ out of the window to escape.
 a had stolen / would jump b stole / had jumped
- The members of the audience ___ to each other while Katrina ___ her presentation.
 a were speaking / gave b were speaking / was giving

F Complete the text with the correct form of the verbs. Use past tenses.

Life lessons

Jake Edmonds (1) had always been (always be) the most popular boy on campus, there was no doubt about it. If you had to describe him in a few words, you'd say he was attractive, sociable and had a great sense of humour. Also, as he (2) had been playing (play) sports and winning since he was a child, he had earned the respect of teachers and students alike. He had it all!

At weekends, Jake was always busy. Why wouldn't he be? He had so many friends and none of us (3) had ever asked / ever asked / would ever ask (ever ask) what he got up to. What nobody realised, however, was that he (4) had been hiding (hide) a secret from all of us for a very long time.

One Saturday night, as we (5) were walking (walk) to our halls of residence after a night out, we (6) noticed (notice) Jake running along the street. We (7) shouted (shout) his name, ran after him and even (8) called (call) him on his phone, but he didn't answer. The following day, he (9) refused (refuse) to discuss it.

To cut a long story short, we later found out that with the help of his grandmother, Jake (10) had been raising (raise) his little brother for a number of years. University during the day, homework at night and playtime with his younger brother in the afternoons.

He (11) used (use) the words *embarrassed* and *dishonest* to describe his behaviour towards us. The only words we could think of were *unselfish*, *mature* and *responsible*. Jake (12) taught (teach) us that things aren't always the way they seem and we in turn showed him how important it is to confide in his friends.

