Past Tenses Exercise

Fill in the blanks.

1. She college last year.

| was leaving | |
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| left | |
| had left | |

2. Our team them yesterday.

had defeated

defeated

was defeating

3. I TV when dad arrived.

watched

was watching

| had watched |
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| 4. After she her breakfast, she went to work. |
| ate |
| had eaten |
| was eating |

5. By the time I reached the station, the train

departed

had departed

6. She here yesterday.

came

| had come |
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| 7. He home late when the |
| accident occurred. |
| drove |
| was driving |
| had driven |

8. The guests had left before Ihome.

| reached | | | |
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| was reaching | | | |
| had reached | | | |

9. I sleep well last night.

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hadn't didn't

10. Every morning, he for a walk.

was going

went

had gone

11. She when she heard the news.

was weeping

wept

had wept

12. I thought of it just when you your mouth.

was opening

had opened

opened

Answers

- 1. She left college last year.
- 2. Our team defeated them yesterday.
- 3. I was watching TV when dad arrived.
- 4. After she ate her breakfast, she went to work.
- 5. By the time I reached the station, the train had departed.
- 6. She came here yesterday.
- 7. He was driving home late when the accident occurred.
- 8. The guests had left before I reached home.
- 9. I didn't sleep well last night.

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- 10. Every morning, he went for a walk.
- 11. She wept when she heard the news.
- 12. I thought of it just when you opened your mouth.