

Tenses Exercise

This grammar exercise tests your ability to use tenses correctly.

1. Look! We to crash.

go

are going

were going

have gone

2. I wish I a better memory.

have

had

had had

3. After he his homework, he went out to play.

completed

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had completed

Either could be used here

4. I him for very long when we got married.

knew

have known

had known

had been knowing

5. I a lot of movies recently.

am watching

have been watching

was watching

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6. I her for two weeks.

only knew

have only known

have only been knowing

7. When I woke up, Mummy
breakfast.

already prepared

had already prepared

have already prepared

was already preparing

8. I in the same job for ten
years.

have worked

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have been working

Either could be used here

9. I told him that I

finished

have finished

had finished

10. I thought I the money a week before.

have sent

had sent

sent

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11. I was tired because I for a long time.

was working

have been working

had been working

12. We by tomorrow afternoon.

will finish

will have finished

would finish

Answers

1. Look! We are going to crash.
2. I wish I had a better memory.
3. After he finished / had finished his homework, he went out to play.
4. I had known him for very long when we got married.
5. I have been watching a lot of movies recently.
6. I have only known her for two weeks.

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7. When I woke up, Mummy had already prepared breakfast.
8. I have worked / have been working in the same job for ten years.
9. I told him that I had finished.
10. I thought I had sent the money a week before.
11. I was tired because I had been working for a long time.
12. We will have finished by tomorrow afternoon.