



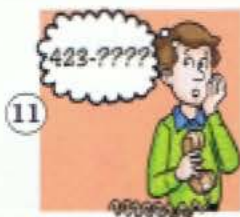
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Past Perfect Tense

Past Perfect Continuous Tense

- Discussing Things People Had Done
- Discussing Preparations for Events
- Describing Consequences of Being Late
- Discussing Feelings
- Describing Accomplishments

VOCABULARY PREVIEW



1. discuss
2. fly a kite
3. go canoeing
4. go window-shopping
5. pack

6. purchase
7. realize
8. shine
9. water
10. wrestle

11. forget
12. remember
13. memorize
14. rehearse
15. perform

They Didn't Want to

I
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They } had eaten.



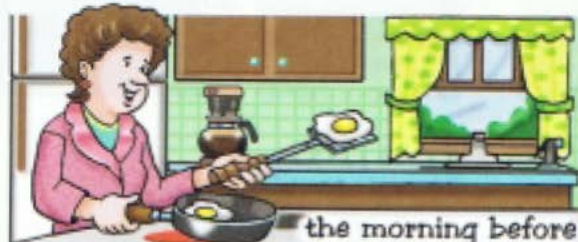
- A. Why didn't Mr. and Mrs. Henderson see a movie last weekend?
B. They didn't want to. They had seen a movie the weekend before.



1. Why didn't your parents eat out yesterday evening?



2. Why didn't Barry go canoeing last Saturday?



3. Why didn't Martha make eggs for breakfast yesterday morning?



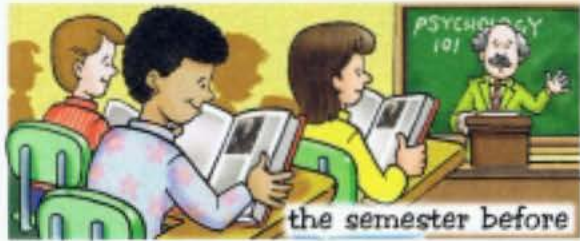
4. Why didn't you have pizza for dinner last night?



5. Why didn't you and your friends drive to the beach last Sunday?



6. Why didn't Paul wear his polka dot shirt to work yesterday?



7. Why didn't Susan take a psychology course last semester?



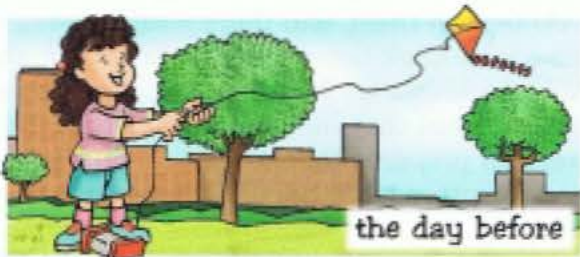
8. Why didn't your neighbors give a party last month?



9. Why didn't Mozart write an opera last week?



10. Why didn't you go window-shopping last Saturday afternoon?



11. Why didn't Monica fly her kite yesterday?



12. Why didn't you and your family discuss politics at the dinner table yesterday evening?



13. Why didn't George do card tricks for his friends last weekend?



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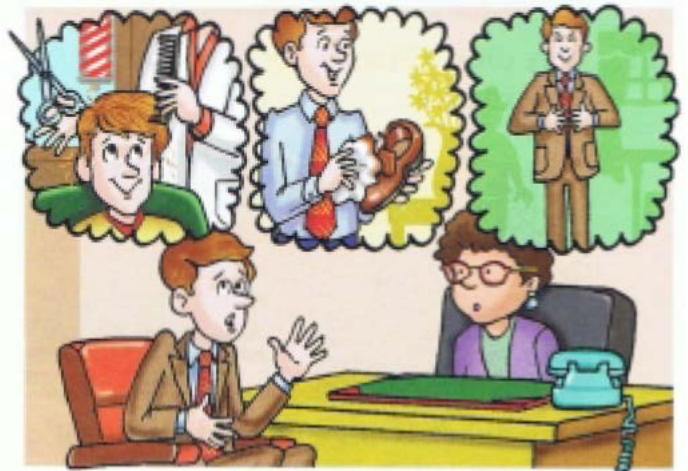
THE MOST IMPORTANT THING

Roger thought he was all prepared for his dinner party last night. He had sent invitations to his boss and all the people at the office. He had looked through several cookbooks and had found some very interesting recipes. He had even gone all the way downtown to buy imported fruit, vegetables, and cheese, which he needed for his dinner. However, as soon as Roger's doorbell rang and his guests arrived, he realized that he had forgotten to turn on the oven. Roger felt very foolish. He couldn't believe what he had done. He thought he was all prepared for his dinner party, but he had forgotten to do the most important thing.



Mr. and Mrs. Jenkins thought they were all prepared for their vacation. They had packed their suitcases several days ahead of time. They had gone to the bank and purchased traveler's checks. They had even asked their next-door neighbor to water their plants, feed their dog, and shovel their driveway if it snowed. However, as soon as Mr. and Mrs. Jenkins arrived at the airport, they realized that they had forgotten to bring their plane tickets with them, and there wasn't enough time to go back home and get them. Mr. and Mrs. Jenkins were heartbroken. They couldn't believe what they had done. They thought they were all prepared for their vacation, but they had forgotten to do the most important thing.

Harold thought he was all prepared for his job interview yesterday. He had gone to his barber and gotten a very short haircut. He had bought a new shirt, put on his best tie, and shined his shoes. He had even borrowed his brother's new suit. However, as soon as Harold began the job interview, he realized that he had forgotten to bring along his resume. Harold was furious with himself. He thought he was all prepared for his job interview, but he had forgotten to do the most important thing.



Janet thought she was all prepared for the school play. She had memorized the script several weeks in advance. She had practiced her songs and dances until she knew them perfectly. She had even stayed up all night the night before and rehearsed the play by herself from beginning to end. However, as soon as the curtain went up and the play began, Janet realized that she had forgotten to put on her costume. Janet was really embarrassed. She couldn't believe what she had done. She thought she was all prepared for the play, but she had forgotten to do the most important thing.



✓ READING CHECK-UP

TRUE, FALSE, OR MAYBE?

Answer True, False, or Maybe (if the answer isn't in the story).

1. Roger had remembered to buy the ingredients he needed.
2. Roger hadn't remembered to cook the food.
3. Roger's guests couldn't believe what he had done.
4. Mr. and Mrs. Jenkins had forgotten to buy their plane tickets.
5. When Mr. and Mrs. Jenkins realized what had happened, they felt very sad and upset.
6. Harold thinks it's important to bring a resume to a job interview.
7. Harold doesn't have a suit.
8. Janet hadn't seen the script until the night before the play.
9. Before the play began, Janet hadn't realized that she had forgotten to put on her costume.

WHICH IS CORRECT?

1. Before Barbara went on her vacation, she went to the bank and bought (tickets traveler's checks).
2. Peter wanted his boss to come over for dinner, but he forgot to send him (a resume an invitation).
3. Sheila (borrowed bought) her roommate's laptop for a few days.
4. Our grandchildren were (heartbroken foolish) when our dog ran away.
5. At the supermarket next to the United Nations, (imported important) people buy (imported important) food.

How About You?



Have you ever thought you were all prepared for something, but you realized you had forgotten to do something important?

What were you preparing for?

What had you done?

What had you forgotten to do?