



Past Simple vs. Past Perfect 2

Choose the correct verb tense (past simple or past perfect).

1. By the time I _____ the book, I _____ it to my friend.
 - a) had finished / lent
 - b) finished / has lent
 - c) finished / lent
2. When we _____ at the party, everyone _____ home.
 - a) had arrived / had went
 - b) arrived / had gone
 - c) arrived / went
3. After they _____ the instructions, they _____ building the furniture.
 - a) had read / began
 - b) read / begun
 - c) read / had begun
4. She _____ the document because she _____ the deadline.
 - a) hadn't submitted / had missed
 - b) didn't submit / missed
 - c) hadn't submitted / missed
5. We _____ the email after we _____ from the meeting.
 - a) had sent / returned
 - b) sent / had returned
 - c) sent / returned

6. I _____ the tickets after I _____ them for a long time.
- a) bought / had searched
 - b) had bought / searched
 - c) buyed / searched
7. He _____ all the cookies before anyone _____ them.
- a) had eaten / noticed
 - b) ate / noticed
 - c) ate / has noticed
8. By the time the alarm _____ off, she _____ awake for hours.
- a) went / had been
 - b) had gone / been
 - c) gone / was
9. After they _____ the house, they _____ it was too expensive.
- a) had viewed / realized
 - b) viewed / have realized
 - c) viewed / had realized
10. We _____ to the restaurant after we _____ it was open again.
- a) went / had heard
 - b) had gone / heard
 - c) went / hearing

Answers

1. a) had finished / lent
2. b) arrived / had gone
3. a) had read / began
4. c) hadn't submitted / missed
5. b) sent / had returned
6. a) bought / had searched
7. a) had eaten / noticed
8. a) went / had been
9. a) had viewed / realized
10. a) went / had heard