

**Choose the past perfect, or the past simple:**

1. We had already eaten when John \_\_\_\_\_  
(come) home.
2. Last year Juan \_\_\_\_\_ (pass) all his exams.
3. When I \_\_\_\_\_ (get) to the airport I  
discovered I had forgotten my passport.
4. I went to the library, then I \_\_\_\_\_ (buy)  
some milk and went home.
5. I opened my handbag to find that I \_\_\_\_\_  
(forgot) my credit card.
6. When we \_\_\_\_\_ (arrive) at the station,  
the train had already left.
7. We got home to find that someone \_\_\_\_\_  
(break) into the house.
8. I opened the fridge to find someone  
\_\_\_\_\_ (eat) all my chocolate.
9. I had known my husband for three years when we  
\_\_\_\_\_ (get) married.
10. Julie was very pleased to see that John  
\_\_\_\_\_ (clean) the kitchen.
11. It \_\_\_\_\_ (not / rain) all summer, so the  
grass was completely dead.
12. When he \_\_\_\_\_ (arrive) at the party,  
Julie had just left.
13. After arriving home, I realised I \_\_\_\_\_  
(not / buy) any milk.
14. The laundry was wet – it \_\_\_\_\_ (rain)  
while I was out.
15. William felt ill last night because he  
\_\_\_\_\_ (eat) too many cakes.
16. Keiko \_\_\_\_\_ (meet) William last  
September.
17. First I tidied the flat, then I \_\_\_\_\_ (sit)  
down and had a cup of coffee.
18. John \_\_\_\_\_ (play) the piano when he was  
a child, but he doesn't play now.
19. When I opened the curtains the sun was shining but the ground was white.  
It \_\_\_\_\_ (snow) during the night.
20. When Julie got home from her holiday, her flat was a mess. John  
\_\_\_\_\_ (have) a party.