

## Past perfect tense

**A) Join the sentences with expressions in brackets.**

Example: They graduated. They got married.  
(as soon as)  
They got married as soon as they had graduated.

They entered the restaurant. They were served.  
(after)

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I didn't use my credit card. I lost it. (because)

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They didn't tell me. Easyjet cancelled the flight. (that)

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I couldn't go out. I broke my leg. (because)

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He took up a job. He left school. (as soon as)

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She fell in love with him. They met in Cork.  
(after)

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**B) Answer the questions and use the words in brackets.**

Example: Why did he call you?  
(because - just arrived)  
He called me because he had just arrived.

When did they return?  
(after - travel for two weeks)

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Why didn't he eat anything?

(because - have lunch)

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What did he tell her?  
(that - see her before)

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When did they land?  
(when - the storm ended)

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Why was he so dirty?  
(because - dig the hole in the rain)

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What did you forget?  
(that - want to buy some bread)

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## **Key to exercises**

### **A**

After they had entered the restaurant they were served.  
I didn't use my credit card because I had lost it.  
They didn't tell me that Easyjet had cancelled the flight.  
I couldn't go out because I had broken my leg.  
He took up a job as soon as he had left school.  
She fell in love with him after they had met in Cork.

### **B**

They returned after they had been travelling for two weeks.  
He didn't eat anything because he had had lunch.  
He told her that he had seen her before.  
They landed when the storm had ended.  
He was so dirty because he had been digging the hole in the rain.  
I forgot that I had wanted to buy some bread.