Past simple and past perfect

Exercise 1. Complete the story with the words in brackets.

Lost in Dublin
It (be) 11 o'clock. Carol Parker (arrive) at the
Shaw Hotel five minutes before. She (try) to find the hotel several times.
Carol (never be) to Dublin, but she
(always want) to visit this unique Irish city. She (have) a detailed map
in her hanbag, but she (cannot) read it. She (call) the reception
and (ask) about the way, but it (not help) her. Finally,
Carol (find) the hotel. She was dying for a cup of tea and a hot shower.
She (get lost) a couple of times before, but she
(never feel) so miserable. It (not be) a good start of her holiday in Ireland.

Answer key

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It <u>was</u> 11 o'clock. Carol Parker <u>had arrived</u> at the Shaw Hotel five minutes before. She <u>had</u> tried to find the hotel several times. Carol <u>had never been</u> to Dublin, but she <u>had always</u> wanted to visit this unique Irish city. She <u>had</u> a detailed map in her hanbag, but she <u>could not</u> read it. She <u>had called</u> the reception and <u>had asked</u> about the way, but it <u>had not helped</u> her. Finally, Carol <u>found</u> the hotel. She was dying for a cup of tea and a hot shower. She <u>had got lost</u> a couple of times before, but she <u>had never felt</u> so miserable. It <u>wasn't</u> a good start of her holiday in Ireland.

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