

Remember?

Past Perfect

*When do you use it
again?*

Past Perfect

For the past

An action before another action in the past A2

- When we arrived **the concert had already started.**
- I remembered I **hadn't forgotten** to lock the door.
- **Had you finished** painting when the rain started?

A past life experience upto a moment in time B1

- **I'd lived** on 4 different continents by the time I was 40.
- **I hadn't been** to Egypt until I met my wife.
- **Had you eaten** crocodile before you went to Vietnam?

How long till a certain moment in time

B1

- When I left the company, I'd **worked** there for 6 years.
- **They hadn't even known** each other for 10 days before they got married.
- **Had you lived** there for more than a year before you left?

Action in the past with past result (cause & effect)

B1

- I arrived late, because I **had missed** my bus.
- I managed to leave on time because I **hadn't forgotten** to set my alarm.

3rd conditional unreal things in the past B1

- If I **had studied** more, I would have passed my exam.
- If I **hadn't been** late, I wouldn't have been fired.
- **Had you known**, would you still have done it?

Mixed conditional unreal things in the past with present result C1+

- If I **had studied** more, I would probably be a doctor now.
- If I **hadn't gone** to bed so late, I wouldn't be so tired now.
- If **you had done** some more sport, would you be healthier?

Mixed conditional unreal things in the past with future result C1+

- If I **had finished** all my reports I **wouldn't have to do** them over the weekend.
- If I **hadn't broken** my leg, I would be going skiing tomorrow.
- Would you still be cleaning up, if **you hadn't got** some help from your friends?