Past simple, continuous and perfect

El verbo tras was, were o had

En estos tiempos, was y were llevan -ing: was writing; had lleva un participio: had written. Usa el verbo de la primera frase. Para -ing, quita la e de write, take, drive, bake o hike. Run, swim, plan, knit, cut, sit y shop duplican la última consonante. Carry y study conservan la y. En inglés americano: traveling. Los participios regulares llevan -ed; otros cambian: taken, drunk, bought.

Ejemplo resuelto

I write stories. I was ____ one when you called. → I write stories. I was writing one when you called.

Escribo historias. Estaba escribiendo una cuando llamaste.

Escribe la forma -ing o el participio del verbo de la primera frase.

01. He speaks to his aunt by phone. He had _____ to her before the meeting began.

02. The children play chess. They were _____ when the bell rang.

03. I send postcards. I had _____ five before I left the town.

04. Mom knits scarves. She was _____ one when I called.

05. We drink tea at home. We had _____ our tea before the taxi arrived.

06. Mom sews clothes. She had _____ a coat before the machine broke.

07. The boys run in the park. They were _____ when I saw them.

08. We travel by train. We were _____ when the storm began.

09. I see Anna often. I had _____ her at the library before we met for lunch.

10. We plan trips together. We were _____ a vacation when the news came.

11. You lose your gloves often. You had _____ a pair before we left the park.

12. We hike in the hills. We were _____ when we found the stream.

13. Dad paints houses. He had _____ ours before we moved in.

14. They clean offices. They had _____ ours before the staff arrived.

15. She reads every night. She was _____ when the phone rang.

16. I listen to the radio. I was _____ when the power went out.

17. You carry heavy bags. You were _____ one when we met.

18. Dad makes soup. He had _____ a pot of soup before we came home.

19. She draws animals. She was _____ a horse when I arrived.

20. I cut vegetables. I was _____ a carrot when you arrived.

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Continuación: ejercicios 21-40. Escribe la forma -ing o el participio del verbo de la primera frase.

21. They teach music. They were _____ when the lights went out.

22. I take photos. I was _____ one when the bird flew away.

23. She finds shells on the beach. She had _____ ten before lunch.

24. He breaks old branches for the fire. He had _____ them before the rain started.

25. She sells handmade hats. She had _____ eight before the market closed.

26. We eat at home. We had _____ dinner before you called.

27. I wash dishes after dinner. I was _____ a plate when it slipped.

28. Mom bakes bread. She was _____ a loaf when the power failed.

29. We build model boats. We had _____ one before the lesson ended.

30. She buys fresh fruit. She had _____ some apples before the shop closed.

31. We swim after school. We were _____ when the rain started.

32. Dad fixes computers. He had _____ mine before I needed it.

33. I give Anna flowers. I had _____ her roses before her birthday dinner.

34. I write reports. I had _____ three by the time the meeting began.

35. She studies at night. She was _____ when I phoned.

36. We leave home early. We had _____ before the road closed.

37. He drives a bus. He was _____ north when the storm began.

38. They choose new books each month. They had _____ theirs before class began.

39. He sits near the door. He was _____ there when the alarm sounded.

40. They shop on Saturdays. They were _____ when we met them.

Soluciones

Frases con el hueco completado. La respuesta aparece en negrita.

01. He had **spoken** to her before the meeting began.
02. They were **playing** when the bell rang.
03. I had **sent** five before I left the town.
04. She was **knitting** one when I called.
05. We had **drunk** our tea before the taxi arrived.
06. She had **sewn** a coat before the machine broke.
07. They were **running** when I saw them.
08. We were **traveling** when the storm began.
09. I had **seen** her at the library before we met for lunch.
10. We were **planning** a vacation when the news came.
11. You had **lost** a pair before we left the park.
12. We were **hiking** when we found the stream.
13. He had **painted** ours before we moved in.
14. They had **cleaned** ours before the staff arrived.
15. She was **reading** when the phone rang.
16. I was **listening** when the power went out.
17. You were **carrying** one when we met.
18. He had **made** a pot of soup before we came home.
19. She was **drawing** a horse when I arrived.
20. I was **cutting** a carrot when you arrived.
21. They were **teaching** when the lights went out.
22. I was **taking** one when the bird flew away.
23. She had **found** ten before lunch.
24. He had **broken** them before the rain started.
25. She had **sold** eight before the market closed.
26. We had **eaten** dinner before you called.
27. I was **washing** a plate when it slipped.
28. She was **baking** a loaf when the power failed.
29. We had **built** one before the lesson ended.
30. She had **bought** some apples before the shop closed.
31. We were **swimming** when the rain started.
32. He had **fixed** mine before I needed it.
33. I had **given** her roses before her birthday dinner.
34. I had **written** three by the time the meeting began.
35. She was **studying** when I phoned.
36. We had **left** before the road closed.
37. He was **driving** north when the storm began.
38. They had **chosen** theirs before class began.
39. He was **sitting** there when the alarm sounded.
40. They were **shopping** when we met them.