Before, after, by the time and until

By the time con un resultado anterior

By the time + oración señala un momento: by the time I arrived, para cuando llegué. El resultado ya estaba hecho entonces. Para contar ese resultado anterior usamos aquí past perfect: had + participio. Had no cambia con la persona. El participio ya está escrito: completa solo had. By the time no indica que el trabajo empezara o continuara en aquel momento.

Ejemplo resuelto

By the time the taxi arrived, I ____ packed my suitcase. → By the time the taxi arrived, I had packed my suitcase.

Para cuando llegó el taxi, yo había preparado la maleta.

Completa had para expresar el resultado anterior con past perfect.

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02. By the time the trip started, Tom _____ paid for the hotel.

03. By the time the office opened, the cleaner _____ emptied all the trash cans.

04. By the time the game started, the coach _____ explained the rules.

05. By the time the first visitor arrived, Anna _____ cleaned the room.

06. By the time we reached the hotel, Mom _____ booked two rooms.

07. By the time the picnic began, Tom _____ packed six sandwiches.

08. By the time the children sat down, Dad _____ served lunch.

09. By the time the storm began, we _____ closed all the windows.

10. By the time the tour began, the guide _____ counted all twelve visitors.

11. By the time the lesson ended, I _____ answered every question.

12. By the time Dad checked the garden, I _____ planted all ten roses.

13. By the time the plane took off, we _____ put our bags in the overhead bins.

14. By the time we left home, I _____ charged my phone.

15. By the time the guests arrived, I _____ already set the table.

16. By the time I reached the beach, Anna _____ taken fifty photos.

17. By the time class started, the teacher _____ written the date.

18. By the time Mom got home, we _____ washed all the dishes.

19. By the time the rain began, Dad _____ brought the chairs inside.

20. By the time the children woke up, Dad _____ cooked breakfast.

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Continuación: ejercicios 21-40. Completa had para expresar el resultado anterior con past perfect.

21. By the time the train left, I _____ bought enough water for the trip.

22. By the time Dad repaired the fence, the dog _____ escaped through the hole.

23. By the time I got to the store, it _____ sold the last red bike.

24. By the time the school reopened, the workers _____ painted every classroom.

25. By the time the race started, Leo _____ tied his shoes.

26. By the time the power went out, I _____ saved my work.

27. By the time I picked up the coat, the tailor _____ sewn on every button.

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29. By the time the concert began, we _____ found our seats.

30. By the time the meeting began, I _____ printed enough copies for everyone.

31. By the time the curtain rose, the actors _____ rehearsed the play many times.

32. By the time the bus came, we _____ bought our tickets.

33. By the time lunch began, we _____ cut all the vegetables.

34. By the time Anna called, I _____ finished the report.

35. By the time I checked the freezer, Mom _____ frozen four bags of berries.

36. By the time the market closed, we _____ bought everything on our list.

37. By the time the library closed, I _____ returned all three books.

38. By the time the visitors came, Mom _____ baked a whole cake.

39. By the time the store opened, the baker _____ made twenty rolls.

40. By the time Grandma opened the gift, she _____ already read our card.

Soluciones

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

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