

## Past Tenses... on duty

### Task 1

Study the following table.

Past tenses revision	
<h3>Past simple</h3> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➔ an action that happened at a definite time in the past Last year we <u>bought</u> a dog.</li> <li>➔ actions that happened immediately one after the other in the past Lou <u>took</u> a shower, <u>brushed</u> his teeth and <u>went</u> to bed.</li> </ul>	<p>Complete the sentences with the correct past form.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>By the time we _____ (get) to the theatre, the play _____ (already, start).</li> <li>Last night I _____ (dream) about going to the Moon.</li> <li>When Ginny _____ (see) me yesterday, I _____ (cross) the street.</li> <li>My dad _____ (paint) the living room for two hours before my brother _____ (come) to help him.</li> <li>Nora _____ (lie) in a hammock while Phil _____ (weed) the garden.</li> <li>Before the Smiths _____ (buy) their new house, they _____ (look) for a suitable one for a year.</li> <li>Laura _____ (send) us a postcard from her holiday in Italy.</li> <li>As Claire _____ (dust) the furniture, she _____ (break) her mum's vase.</li> <li>My sister _____ (never, be) to the circus before last week.</li> <li>Pam and I _____ (study) for the history exam when the lights _____ (go) off.</li> <li>The alarm clock _____ (not, ring) yesterday morning and I _____ (be) late for work.</li> <li>Mr. Roberts _____ (work) in the company for six years before it _____ (go) bankrupt.</li> <li>You _____ (not, sleep) when I _____ (return) last night.</li> <li>When _____ (they, visit) you last time?</li> <li>Yesterday at this time, Karen _____ (write) a letter of application to the manager of L'Oréal.</li> <li>I _____ (not, pay) attention to the teacher and my friends _____ (not, pay) attention, either.</li> <li>When we _____ (go) out for a walk last Sunday morning, the sun _____ (shine) and it _____ (be) quite warm.</li> <li>We _____ (never, see) the Pyramids before our trip to Egypt in 2005.</li> <li>_____ (Simon and Alice, get) married last summer?</li> <li>They _____ (wait) for more than an hour before Lady Gaga _____ (appear) on the stage.</li> <li>Michael and Robert _____ (rollerblade) in the backyard when Sally _____ (phone).</li> <li>I _____ (meet) Harry at Brenda's birthday party last month.</li> <li>Where _____ (you, spend) your last winter holidays?</li> </ol>
<h3>Past continuous</h3> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➔ an action that was in progress at a stated time in the past Yesterday at 4 I <u>was talking</u> to Meg on the phone.</li> <li>➔ two actions that were happening at the same time Liz <u>was vacuuming</u> while her sons <u>were tidying</u> their room.</li> <li>➔ an action that was in progress (longer action) when another action interrupted it When I came in, Sue <u>was reading</u>.</li> </ul>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>_____ (sit) at a park bench when we _____ (hear) a thunder.</li> <li>By six o'clock Ted _____ (pack) all his stuff in his backpack.</li> <li>I _____ (sunbathe) for two hours before it _____ (start) to rain.</li> </ol>
<h3>Past perfect</h3> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>an action that happened before another action in the past Before we left, we <u>had booked</u> a hotel room.</li> <li>complete past action that had visible results in the past We felt relieved after they <u>had arrived</u> safely.</li> </ul>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>_____ (you, spend) your last winter holidays?</li> <li>My cousin and I _____ (sit) at a park bench when we _____ (hear) a thunder.</li> <li>By six o'clock Ted _____ (pack) all his stuff in his backpack.</li> <li>I _____ (sunbathe) for two hours before it _____ (start) to rain.</li> </ol>
<h3>Past perfect continuous</h3> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>an action continuing over a period up to a specific time in the past Pete <u>had been working</u> as a doctor for 25 years before he retired last year.</li> <li>action of certain duration that had visible results in the past Mark <u>had been studying</u> Spanish for five years before he moved to Toledo.</li> </ul>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>_____ (you, spend) your last winter holidays?</li> <li>My cousin and I _____ (sit) at a park bench when we _____ (hear) a thunder.</li> <li>By six o'clock Ted _____ (pack) all his stuff in his backpack.</li> <li>I _____ (sunbathe) for two hours before it _____ (start) to rain.</li> </ol>

## Task 2

Click on the following link and focus your attention on the use of past tenses in the following sentences.

[http://www.iep.edu.gr/images/IEP/EPISTIMONIKI\\_YPIRESIA/Epist\\_Monades/B\\_Kyklos/Humanities/2018/2018-10-12\\_A3\\_On\\_duty.pdf](http://www.iep.edu.gr/images/IEP/EPISTIMONIKI_YPIRESIA/Epist_Monades/B_Kyklos/Humanities/2018/2018-10-12_A3_On_duty.pdf)

## Task 3

Click on the following link for further practice.

<https://forms.gle/8yskGGU9gqTFr8Yo8>

## Task 4

Click on the following link to read the rest of the story and do some further practice.

<https://forms.gle/a3S2dd42Gr29NWcdA>

## Task 5

Choose any five words from the news report, look them on any of the online defined and fill in the following table.

words	definitions	synonyms

NOTE: Here are the links to the online dictionaries.

<https://www.wordreference.com/engr/>

<https://dictionary.cambridge.org/>

<https://www.macmillandictionary.com/open-dictionary/latestEntries.html>

You can find synonyms of the words on the following link of a thesaurus.

<https://www.collinsdictionary.com/dictionary/english-thesaurus>