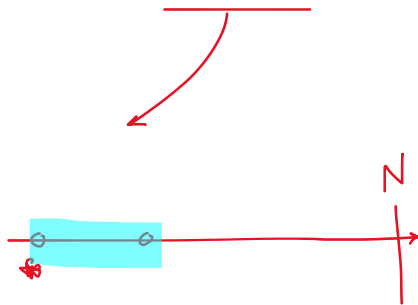


1. What is Past Perfect?
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3. 2 types

## What is Past Perfect?

Meaning: 'past of past'



Example:

+ Mrs Green had finished her medication

S            had    PP

- Mrs Green had **not** finished her medication

S            had    -    PP

? Had Mrs Green (not) finished her medication?

Had    S                            PP

REPORTED SPEECH:

1. Mrs Green reported that
2. Mrs Green stated that
3. Mrs Green informed me that



On 5th May, Mrs Green reported that she had experienced ear ache for 5 days since 1st May.

5 days ago –

When do we use it?

Past Perfect

19<sup>th</sup> July 2017

Nurse-in-Charge  
District Nursing Service  
Greenville Community Health Centre  
600 High Road, Greenville

Dear Sir/Madam,  
Re: Ms Margaret Helen Martin, 51 years old

I am writing regarding Ms Margaret Helen Martin, who underwent repeated angioplasty following an angina. She is due to be discharged tomorrow and requires ongoing care and support.

In terms of her medical history, she has an angioptasty in 2008, has hypertension, which is managed with Lisinopril, and has hypercholesterolemia, for which an atorvastatin is being taken. In addition, she has coronary artery disease, which is treated by aspirin and statins. Due to her social background, she is unmarried, has no children and lives with her mother. Although she has siblings and relatives, their contact with her is minimal. Additionally, she lives a sedentary lifestyle and has not sought any medical advice for her health and she tends to be anxious about health.

Ms Martin was admitted to our hospital earlier today and underwent a restful procedure. Following her surgery, she was placed on post-operative care. During her hospitalisation, there were no signs of infection or bleeding on her catheter site apart from the bruise which were noted. Also, she became anxious about returning home, but she was reassured whether she will cope. In terms of her current condition, she is able to tolerate a light diet and fluids.

In view of the above, it would be greatly appreciated if you could provide ongoing care and support. Please note that she requires a regular monitoring on her dietary regimen, under the supervision of a dietician, and timely assist her light exercises, which are monitored by a physiotherapist. Please be aware of the fact that she needs to avoid heavy lifting for 12 weeks and please note that she requires regular monitoring on her wound site for bruise or infection. In addition, it is important to note that she needs a regular visits from her family in order

Begin  
Middle  
End

TIMELINE

We try to tell the story of the condition / surgery...

Start from past and move to present

## 2 TYPES PAST PERFECT:



not stopping

**TYPE 1:** continuous action between 2 points

1 inform / neck pain / 3 days

Mrs Green informed me that she **had experienced** neck pain for 3 days

Mrs Green informed me that she **had been experiencing** neck pain for 3 days

Past Perfect Continuous

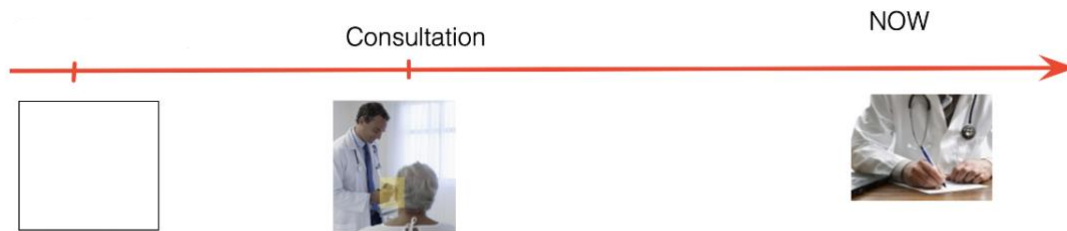
2 report / depression / 2 weeks

Mrs Green reported that she had depression *for* 2 weeks.

3 state / pain: rash / 48 hours

4 inform / dizzy / 2 days

**TYPE 2: happens only once**



1. reported / car crash / last week

Mrs Green reported that she *had* had a car accident *at 9:am on Wednesday*

S had PP

2. stated / panic attack / yesterday
3. inform / sprained ankle / work
4. report / head injury / rugby / 48 hours
5. state / refer / new psychologist