



# MASTER YOUR TENSES



SWATI CHOUDHARY

# Past tense vs present perfect vs past perfect

## Practice set

### Passage 1

Fill in the blanks using the appropriate verb forms (past perfect, past tense, present perfect).

I have always been passionate about music. When I was a child, I \_\_\_\_\_ (start) taking piano lessons. By the time I \_\_\_\_\_ (turn) 10, I \_\_\_\_\_ (already/perform) in several local concerts. As I grew older, my love for music \_\_\_\_\_ (grow) stronger. In high school, I \_\_\_\_\_ (join) the school band and \_\_\_\_\_ (play) the trumpet. Last year, I \_\_\_\_\_ (graduate) from music school and \_\_\_\_\_ (start) performing with a professional orchestra. I \_\_\_\_\_ (practice) diligently and \_\_\_\_\_ (improve) my skills over the years. Music \_\_\_\_\_ (bring) me so much joy and fulfilment, and I \_\_\_\_\_ (continue) to explore new genres and collaborate with talented musicians. I \_\_\_\_\_ (feel) grateful for the opportunities music \_\_\_\_\_ (give) me and \_\_\_\_\_ (look) forward to a future filled with beautiful melodies.

### Answers

Write your answers here. Check the answers in the back pages.

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# Past tense vs present perfect vs past perfect

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### Passage 2

Fill in the blanks using the appropriate verb forms (past perfect, past tense, present perfect).

I have always been fascinated by astronomy. When I was a child, I \_\_\_\_\_ (develop) a deep curiosity about the stars and planets. By the time I \_\_\_\_\_ (reach) high school, I \_\_\_\_\_ (already/learn) the basics of celestial navigation. During college, I \_\_\_\_\_ (study) astrophysics and \_\_\_\_\_ (conduct) research on distant galaxies. Last summer, I \_\_\_\_\_ (attend) an international conference where renowned astronomers \_\_\_\_\_ (present) their groundbreaking discoveries. The experience \_\_\_\_\_ (inspire) me to pursue a career in the field. Over the years, I \_\_\_\_\_ (observe) numerous celestial events and \_\_\_\_\_ (participate) in stargazing sessions with fellow enthusiasts. Astronomy \_\_\_\_\_ (open) my eyes to the vastness and wonders of the universe. I \_\_\_\_\_ (feel) privileged to have witnessed breathtaking phenomena and \_\_\_\_\_ (gain) a deeper understanding of our place in the cosmos.

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# Past tense vs present perfect vs past perfect

## Practice set

### Passage 3

Fill in the blanks using the appropriate verb forms (past perfect, past tense, present perfect).

I \_\_\_\_\_ (visit) Paris last year and it was an unforgettable experience. By the time I \_\_\_\_\_ (arrive), I \_\_\_\_\_ (already/plan) out all the places I wanted to see. I \_\_\_\_\_ (explore) famous landmarks like the Eiffel Tower and the Louvre Museum. The city \_\_\_\_\_ (captivate) me with its charm and rich history. I \_\_\_\_\_ (try) delicious French cuisine and \_\_\_\_\_ (stroll) along the beautiful streets of Montmartre. Every moment \_\_\_\_\_ (be) magical and I \_\_\_\_\_ (create) memories that will last a lifetime. Paris \_\_\_\_\_ (leave) a lasting impression on me, and I \_\_\_\_\_ (hope) to return one day.

### Answers

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# Past tense vs present perfect vs past perfect

## Practice set

### Passage 4

Fill in the blanks using the appropriate verb forms (past perfect, past tense, present perfect).

I \_\_\_\_\_ (love) photography ever since I \_\_\_\_\_ (receive) my first camera as a gift. Over the years, I \_\_\_\_\_ (capture) countless moments and \_\_\_\_\_ (develop) my skills as a photographer. Last weekend, I \_\_\_\_\_ (attend) a photography workshop where I \_\_\_\_\_ (learn) new techniques and \_\_\_\_\_ (get) feedback from professionals. The workshop \_\_\_\_\_ (inspire) me to push my creative boundaries and \_\_\_\_\_ (explore) different genres. Photography \_\_\_\_\_ (allow) me to express myself and \_\_\_\_\_ (share) my perspective with the world. I \_\_\_\_\_ (look) forward to many more exciting adventures behind the lens.

### Answers

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# Past tense vs present perfect vs past perfect

## Practice set

### Passage 5

Fill in the blanks using the appropriate verb forms (past perfect, past tense, present perfect).

Throughout the course of the project, we \_\_\_\_\_ (encounter) unforeseen obstacles that \_\_\_\_\_ (threaten) our progress. However, our team \_\_\_\_\_ (rise) to the challenge and \_\_\_\_\_ (find) creative solutions to overcome each hurdle. We \_\_\_\_\_ (apply) our expertise and \_\_\_\_\_ (implement) novel strategies that \_\_\_\_\_ (yield) remarkable results. The project \_\_\_\_\_ (culminate) in a series of successful trials, where we \_\_\_\_\_ (demonstrate) the effectiveness of our approach. Stakeholders \_\_\_\_\_ (express) their satisfaction and \_\_\_\_\_ (acknowledge) our dedication. We \_\_\_\_\_ (build) strong partnerships and \_\_\_\_\_ (establish) a reputation for excellence. Looking back, we \_\_\_\_\_ (realize) the immense growth and valuable lessons we \_\_\_\_\_ (gain) from this transformative project.

### Answers

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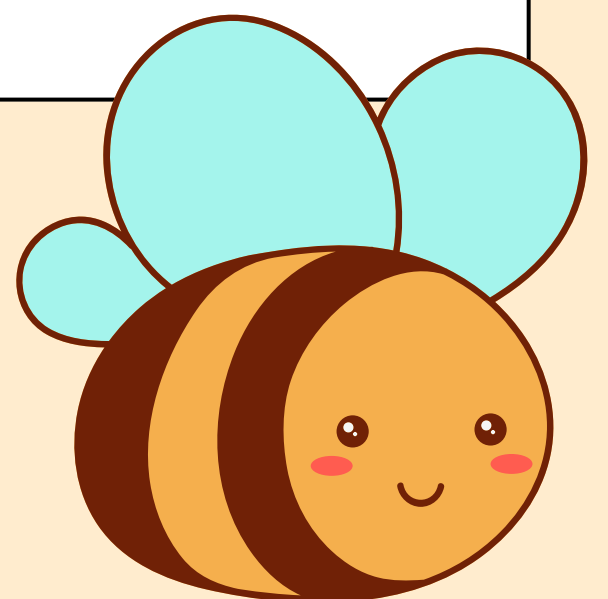
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# Answers

## Passage 1




• I have always been passionate about music. When I was a child, I \_\_\_\_\_ had started \_\_\_\_\_ (start) taking piano lessons. By the time I \_\_\_\_ turned \_\_\_\_\_ (turn) 10, I \_ had already performed \_\_\_\_\_ (already/perform) in several local concerts. As I grew older, my love for music \_\_\_ grew \_\_\_\_\_ (grow) stronger. In high school, I \_\_ joined \_\_\_\_\_ (join) the school band and \_\_\_\_ played \_\_\_\_\_ (play) the trumpet. Last year, I \_\_\_ had graduated \_\_\_\_\_ (graduate) from music school and \_\_ started \_\_\_\_\_ (start) performing with a professional orchestra. I \_ have practiced \_\_\_\_\_ (practice) diligently and \_\_\_ improved \_\_\_\_\_ (improve) my skills over the years. Music \_\_\_\_\_ brings \_\_\_\_\_ (bring) me so much joy and fulfillment, and I \_\_ continue \_\_\_\_\_ (continue) to explore new genres and collaborate with talented musicians. I \_\_ feel \_\_\_\_\_ (feel) grateful for the opportunities music \_\_\_ has given \_\_\_\_\_ (give) me and \_\_\_\_ look \_\_\_\_\_ (look) forward to a future filled with beautiful melodies.



# Answers

## Passage 2



I have always been fascinated by astronomy. When I was a child, I \_ had developed\_\_\_\_\_ (develop) a deep curiosity about the stars and planets. By the time I \_\_\_reached\_\_\_\_\_ (reach) high school, I \_\_\_had already learnt\_\_\_\_\_ (already/learn) the basics of celestial navigation. During college, I \_\_studied\_\_\_\_\_ (study) astrophysics and \_\_\_conducted\_\_\_\_\_ (conduct) research on distant galaxies. Last summer, I \_\_\_attended\_\_\_\_\_ (attend) an international conference where renowned astronomers \_\_\_had presented\_\_\_\_\_ (present) their groundbreaking discoveries. The experience \_\_\_\_\_inspired\_\_\_\_\_ (inspire) me to pursue a career in the field. Over the years, I \_\_\_have observed\_\_\_\_\_ (observe) numerous celestial events and \_\_\_participated\_\_\_\_\_ (participate) in stargazing sessions with fellow enthusiasts. Astronomy \_\_\_opens\_\_\_\_\_ (open) my eyes to the vastness and wonders of the universe. I \_\_\_feel\_\_\_\_\_ (feel) privileged to have witnessed breathtaking phenomena and \_\_\_gained\_\_\_\_\_ (gain) a deeper understanding of our place in the cosmos.



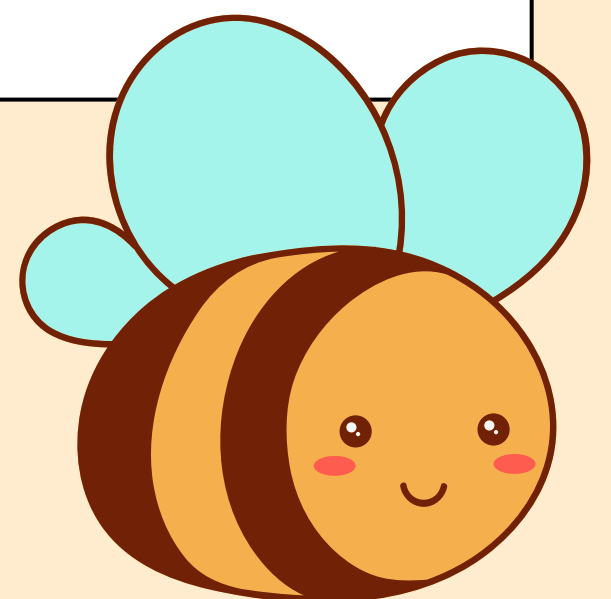


# Answers

## Passage 3




I \_\_\_\_\_ had visited \_\_\_\_\_ (visit) Paris last year and it was an unforgettable experience. By the time I \_\_\_\_\_ arrived \_\_\_\_\_ (arrive), I \_\_\_\_\_ had already planned \_\_\_\_\_ (already/plan) out all the places I wanted to see. I \_\_\_\_\_ explored \_\_\_\_\_ (explore) famous landmarks like the Eiffel Tower and the Louvre Museum. The city \_\_\_\_\_ captivated \_\_\_\_\_ (captivate) me with its charm and rich history. I \_\_\_\_\_ tried \_\_\_\_\_ (try) delicious French cuisine and \_\_\_\_\_ strolled \_\_\_\_\_ (stroll) along the beautiful streets of Montmartre. Every moment \_\_\_\_\_ was \_\_\_\_\_ (be) magical and I \_\_\_\_\_ created \_\_\_\_\_ (create) memories that will last a lifetime. Paris \_\_\_\_\_ left \_\_\_\_\_ (leave) a lasting impression on me, and I \_\_\_\_\_ hoped \_\_\_\_\_ (hope) to return one day.



# Answers

## Passage 4



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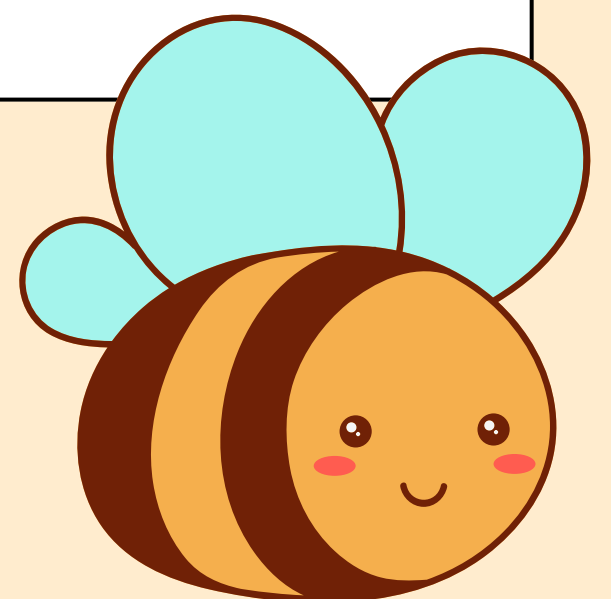


# Answers

## Passage 5



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