



The Amusement Park

A. Reading

I went to a huge amusement park yesterday. I had never been to one before. I had visited small county fairs with Ferris wheels and merry-go-rounds, but this amusement park had huge roller coasters that went really fast. They even went upside down. I had never ridden a roller coaster before. I had seen them in movies, but I always thought they looked scary. When I rode it for the first time, I loved it. I rode it five times in a row! I had also hoped to ride the biggest roller coaster in the park, but the lineups were too long. I had always heard that amusement parks were fun, but I had never imagined I would like them this much.

The Amusement Park cont.

B. Questions

1. Had she ever been to an amusement park before?

2. Had she visited county fairs before?

3. Are there roller coasters at small county fairs?

4. Had she ever ridden a roller coaster before?

5. Had she always been scared of roller coasters?

6. Did she enjoy her first ride on a roller coaster?

7. What had she hoped to do at the amusement park but was not able to?

8. Had she ever imagined she would like amusement parks?



My Boss Was Angry with Me

A. Reading

My boss was angry with me yesterday. She said that I had forgotten to write the finance report. I reminded her that we had agreed to finish the report next week. A few days earlier, I had asked her for one more week to prepare the report. She had agreed. I had needed more time because last week I was in San Francisco on business, and I had fallen behind in my work. Apparently, she had forgotten that conversation. Usually, my boss is quite understanding. Maybe she had had a bad week.

My Boss Was Angry with Me cont.

B. Questions

1. Why was his boss angry with him?

2. What had he told his boss during their previous conversation?

3. Who had actually forgotten something, him or his boss?

4. Why had he asked for more time to finish the report?

5. Why might his boss not have been very understanding?



The Audition

A. Reading

Last Saturday, there was an audition for a play. Bill had spent the previous two weeks preparing for the audition. He had read the entire play and had memorized all his lines. He had booked the audition day off work. He had even learned to speak with a British accent because it was a Shakespearean play. He had practiced his lines in front of his girlfriend, his parents, and even his dog. He had really hoped to impress the directors. He had bought a new shirt to wear the day of the audition. Unfortunately, that day Bill woke up with a terrible fever. He couldn't even get out of bed because he felt so sick. Bill was so upset about missing the audition because he had invested so much time and effort into it.

The Audition cont.

B. Questions

1. How long had Bill spent preparing for the audition?

2. What had Bill done to prepare for the audition? Name three things.

3. Who had Bill practiced his lines in front of?

4. Who had Bill hoped to impress?

5. What actually happened the day of the audition?

6. Why was Bill so upset about missing the audition?

About You

A. Questions

Answer the following questions using the past perfect.

1. Have you been to an amusement park this year? Had you ever been to one before that?

2. Have you visited the United States recently? Had you ever visited before then?

3. Did someone get angry with you recently? What had you done (if anything) to deserve it?

4. Did someone recently accuse you of forgetting to do something?
Had you really forgotten to do it or were they mistaken?

5. Have you ever met someone after hearing a lot about them?
Were they how you imagined them?

6. Did you ever speak or perform in front of an audience? How had you prepared yourself?

About You cont.

B. Drawing

Draw a picture of yourself in the box, or paste in a photograph.

C. Writing

Now use the questions and answers on page 7 to write a short paragraph about yourself.

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Your Own Story

A. Drawing

Draw a picture in the box, or paste in a photograph.



B. Writing

Using the past perfect, write a short paragraph about the picture in the box. Use your notebook if you don't have enough space below.

Your Own Story cont.

C. Questions

Write five questions about your paragraph.

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____

D. Answers

Give your story and questions to a classmate.

Have them read your story and answer your questions below.

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____