

VERB TENSE TRANSFORMATIONS. - KEY

1. First I bought the ticket. Then I caught the train.

After I had bought the ticket , I caught

2. John and I are friends . We met ten years ago.

John and I have been freinds for 10 years_

3. I arrived at 6. He left at 5.30.

By the time I arrived, he had left._

.4. Sally started living in Brazil three years ago.

Sally has been living in Brazil for three years.

5. Shakespeare has been dead for over 400 years.

Shakespeare died over 400 years ago

6. John blew out the candles then he ate the cake.

John ate the cake after he had blown out the candles.

7-Sam started working at 9 a.m and he still hasn't finished

Sam has been working since 9 am

8-I met Mary two weeks ago

I have known Mary for two weeks

9-When did you get your new bike?

How long have you had your new bike?

10-I last saw you in 2004

I haven't seen you since 2004.

11-I began studying computer technology last year. I'm still studying it now

I have been studying computer technology since last year

12-On the way to work I saw a car crash

I was on my way to work/ was walking/going to work when I saw a crash

13-On my walk home from school, I dropped my mobile phone

While I was walking home from school, I dropped

14-I did my homework before I went out

I didn't go out until I had done my homework.

15-The thief escaped and then the police arrived

By the time the police arrived , the thief had escaped.....

16-I'm on my way to the cinema

I'm going to the cinema right now

17-Are you still working on your science project?

Haven't you finished your science project yet.?

18-It's May. I started learning German in January (FOR)

I 've been learning German for 3 months.

19-The band started playing at 10 and we arrived at 10.30

Before we arrived the band had started playing.

20-How long is it since they finished school?

When did they finish school?

21. I'm arriving at 6pm but you are leaving at 4.30pm.

By the time I arrive, you will have left.

22. Our exam is next Friday from 6 to 8 pm.

Next Friday at 7pm we will be doing our exam.

23-She had a bath. Then she phoned her friend.

She phoned her friend after she had had a bath.

24-We prepared the meal. Then the guests arrived.

We had prepared the meal when/before the guests arrived.

25. My car broke down. I took it to the garage

I took my car to the garage because it had broken down.

26. Do you intend to pass this test?

Are you going to pass this test?

27 I left only a few minutes ago.

I have just left.

28 Will this be your first trip abroad? (ever)

Have you ever been abroad?