

## PAST PERFECT SIMPLE and CONTINUOUS ( unit 3 )

### 1. Simple : HAD + PARTICIPLE

- **Talking about sth which happened before sth which is described in the past simple**  
When he got to the station , his train had already left  
( When he got to the station, his train left )
- **Typically with time expressions ( conjunctions ) such as : when, as soon as, after, before....**  
She started driving before she had fastened her seatbelt
- **Often with these adverbs : already, just , never....**  
He had never eaten liver and kidney pie until he came to England.

### 2. Continuous : HAD + BEEN + -ING

- **Same as past perfect simple : ` ....sth which happened before sth .....described in the past simple ...´ BUT :**
  - **Focuses on the length of time :**  
Mandy needed a rest because she had been working the whole day
  - **Says how long sth happened up to a point in the past :**  
He had been playing for Arsenal for only two games when he scored his first goal ( llevaba ...`x´ tiempo `haciendo algo´