

Someone had dropped it.

1 Listen and read

Nicola: Thanks for getting us tickets to the Eden Project, Tom.

Tom: That's OK. I really enjoyed it.

Louise: I thought the different plants in the domes were fantastic.

Tom: Come on, we ought to get back to the coach. It leaves in ten minutes.

Nicola: Hang on! I've left my jacket in the café. I'll just go back and get it.

LEARNING GOALS

Grammar

Past perfect simple
too many, too much, not enough
Reported requests and commands (verb + object + infinitive)

Vocabulary

Types of music

Communication

Talk about events before other events in the past
Express pleasure and thanks

A few minutes later

Nicola: Guess what! I found a £20 note on the floor! Someone had dropped it.

Tom: Great. That's just enough money for a hamburger and a Coke!

Nicola: No chance! I gave it to the woman at the information desk.

Tom: What did she say?

Nicola: She asked me to phone next week to see if anyone had claimed it. If not, I can have it. So keep your fingers crossed!

2 Comprehension

Put the events in the correct order.

1d) Tom, Nicola and Louise leave the Eden Project.

- Nicola finds a £20 note.
- The woman at the information desk tells her to phone the following week.
- Nicola goes back to get her jacket.
- Tom, Nicola and Louise leave the Eden Project.
- Nicola hands the money in at the information desk.
- Nicola realises she has forgotten her jacket.

3 Useful phrases

Listen and repeat.

- Hang on!
- I've left [my jacket].
- Guess what!
- No chance!
- Keep your fingers crossed!

4 Grammar

Past perfect simple

Positive statements

She'd (had) left her jacket.

Negative statements

She hadn't remembered to pick it up.

Look at the sentences. Which happens first 'feeling better' or 'having something to eat'?

- 1 She felt better because she'd had something to eat.
- 2 She felt better so she had something to eat.

Make a rule

Before or after?

We use the past perfect simple tense to describe an event in the past that happened ... another event in the past.

Go back and look

Which examples of the past perfect tense can you find in the text?

5 Practice

Match the openings with the correct endings to make sentences. Use the verbs in brackets in the past perfect or the past simple.

1b) Louise had arrived at the hotel a few days before Nicola started work.

- 1 Louise (arrive) at the hotel a few days
- 2 Nicola (know) St Ives quite well
- 3 Rick Ward (begin) to bully Jamie
- 4 After the visit Nicola (realise) that
- 5 Nicola (not/can) find

- a) she (forget) her jacket.
- b) before Nicola (start) work.
- c) the person who (drop) the £20 note.
- d) because she (be) there before.
- e) several weeks before Jamie (tell) Tom.