

### Past Perfect and Past Perfect Continuous

- “George and her mother were outside, waiting until she had read the letter.”  
(Thackeray, *Vanity Fair*, 2001:207)
- “Mr. Jones, of the Manor Farm, had locked the henhouses for the night, but was too drunk to remember to shut the pop-holes.” (Orwell, *Animal Farm*, 2021:5)
- “The human beings pretended not to believe that it was Snowball who had destroyed the windmill: they said that it had fallen because the walls were too thin.” (Orwell, *Animal Farm* 2021:52)
- “They had just finished singing it for the third time when Squealer, attended by two dogs, approached them with the air of having something important to say.” (Orwell, *Animal Farm* 2021:62)
- “They had not gone twenty yards when they stopped short.” (Orwell, *Animal Farm*, 2021:96)
- “The waiting room was all brown carpet and brown overstuffed cloth chairs. I sat in a love seat for a while, my oxygen cart tucked by my feet. I’d worn my Chuck Taylors and my Ceci n’est pas une pipe shirt, the exact outfit I’d been wearing two weeks before on the Late Afternoon of the Venn Diagram, and he wouldn’t see it.”
- (Green, *The Fault In Our Stars*, 2020: 232)
- “How quickly it had all been done! He felt strangely calm, and, walking over the window, opened it, and stepped out on the balcony. The wind had blown the fog away, and the sky was like a monstrous peacock’s tail, starred with myriads of golden eyes.” (Wilde, *The Picture of Dorian Gray*, 1994:183)
- “Poor Sibly! What a romance it had all been! She had often mimicked death on the stage. Then Death himself had touched her, and taken her with him. How had she played that dreadful last scene? Had she cursed him, as she died? No; she had died for love of him, and love would always be a sacrament to him now. She had atoned for everything, by the sacrifice she had made of her life.” (Wilde, *The Picture of Dorian Gray*, 1994:122)
- “The poor child had never seen so many men in one place in her life” (Shaffer & Barrows, *The Guernsey Literary and Potato Peel Pie Society*, 1919:13)
- “Eli gave me a letter they had written to me – it was full of all the things I had missed.” (Shaffer & Barrows, *The Guernsey Literary and Potato Peel Pie Society*, 1919:66)

- “I’d forgotten he couldn’t make his own way back to the circle. I got up, placed his hand on my arm, and walked him slowly back to the chair next to Gus where I’d been sitting. Then I walked up to the podium and unfolded the piece of paper on which I’d printed my eulogy.” (Green, *The Fault In Our Stars*, 2020: 259)
- “He wasn’t the slightest bit interested in the Island, or the Occupation, or Elizabeth, or what I had been doing since I arrived- he didn’t ask a single question about any of it.” (Shaffer & Barrows, *The Guernsey Literary and Potato Peel Pie Society*, 1919:185)
- “In her heart she felt a vague tenderness and pity for her first husband, who had been her lord. He was so wrong when he died. She could not bear it, that he had never lived, never really become himself. And he had been her lord! Strange, it all had been! Why had he been her lord?” (Lawrence, *The Rainbow*, 2010:264)