

Clarifying Language- Guided Discovery

Example of a guided discovery presentation for pre intermediate level

AIM: To clarify the use, meaning and form of past perfect simple and to support the students through controlled and freer practice.

- a) When I *arrived* at the party, my friend *had already left*.
- b) Before I *saw* the film, I *hadn't considered* visiting France.
- c) After I *had done* the dishes, I *made* a cup of tea.
- d) *I hadn't eaten sushi* before I went to South Korea.

1. **All of the sentences above talk about 2 points in time. Are they in the past, present or future?**
 2. **In each sentence which of the actions in *italics* came first? How do we know?**
 3. **Do any of the above sentences talk about 2 things happening at the same time?**
 4. **What form of the verb comes after had in every sentence above?**
5. Look at sentence b). This is affirmative. Write the negative and the question form as well.