

Completing Sentences

*** সাধারণত since দ্বারা দুটি clause যুক্ত থাকলে এবং since-এর আগের অংশ Present indefinite/ Present perfect tense হলে পরের অংশ Past Indefinite tense হয়।

যেমন:

It is many years since he (give) up smoking.

Ans. It is many years since he gave up smoking.

2. It has been a long time since I went to college.

Five years have passed since he (leave) the house.

Ans. Five years have passed since he left the house.

***আবার since দ্বারা clause যুক্ত থাকলে since-এর আগে বাক্যের অংশ Past indefinite tense হলে পরের অংশ Past Perfect tense হয়। **(Sb+had+V3+ob)**

যেমন:

1. Many years passed since I (meet) him last.

Ans. Many years passed since I had met him last.

2. It was many years since I (visit) there.

Ans. It was many years since I had visited there.

3. Five months passed since he had gone to play cricket.

4. It was a long time since we had visited the place.

As if / As though (যেন)

Structure:

1st clause (Present Ind) + **as if / as though** + Past Ind
(sub + were/ V₂ + obj/ complement)

Example:

- He pretends **as if** he were a learned person.
- Rupa talks **as though** she knew everything.
- She behaves **as if** she were Miss Universe.
- It sounds **as if** it were a hammer.

Structure:

1st clause (Past Ind: Sub+V₂) + **as if / as though** + sub + had+V₃
(Past perfect Tense) + obj/complement

Example:

- 1) He talked **as if** he had discovered America.
- 2) Rani behaved **as if** she had known everything.
- 3) Raju acted as though he had achieved PhD.
- 4) My friend pretended as if she had been better than others.

**** No sooner had/ Scarcely had/ hardly had..... (করতে না করতেই, যেতে না যেতেই)**

Structure: a) No sooner had+ sub₁+V₃+ob/ext. + **than**
+sub₂ +V₂ + ext. (Past Ind)

Example:

- i) **No sooner had** we heard the news **than** we moved to the hospital.
- ii) **No sooner had** I called him **than** he entered the room.
- iii) **Scarcely had** the guest arrived at the hall **when** the party began. (begin-began-begun)
- iv) **Hardly had** they left the office **when** the rain started.