Focus on activity: Past Perfect

Target audience (age): Ensino Fundamental 2 and Ensino Médio
Lesson links: Our Way 4, Unit 7; Upgrade, Unit 13; English ID 3, Unit 3
Aim: practice the Past Perfect tense through games
Duration: 20-30 min.
Organization: pair work; group work
Material: sheets with the questionnaire, one card per student, and cards for the wrap-up

Preparation:
- Have the cards printed and cut (one per student), have the worksheets ready and have the cards ready for the wrap-up.

Procedures:
- Write some questions on the board or use the worksheet.
- Divide students in pairs and ask them to interview their classmate using the questionnaire.
- Tell them they are going to play a game now, explain the activity and give an example by having a student fill in the blanks of a card orally.
- Give each student a card.
- Divide students in two lines, facing each other.
- The row on the left starts with the questions. Each student should ask the person in front of him/her the question in the card. When everyone has answered the question, the students in the answer line move to the left and are asked a new question.
- Switch positions and roles: those who were asking the question should now answer a question.

Cards

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<tr>
<th>Where _____ (you, be) before you _____ (arrive) home last night?</th>
<th>Before you _____ (go) to bed last night, what _____ (you, already, do)?</th>
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<td>What _____ (you, never, see) before you _____ (go) to an exhibition?</td>
<td>What _____ (you, never, eat) before you ____ (go) to a Japanese restaurant?</td>
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<td>When you _____ (leave) for school this morning, _______ (the sun, already, come up)?</td>
<td>What ____ (you, already, have for breakfast) before you _____ (come) to class?</td>
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<td>Who _____ (already, get up) in your house when you _____ (leave) this morning?</td>
<td>Where _____ (you, study) before you _____ (come) to this school?</td>
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<td>How many times _____ (you, see) a movie in French before you _____ (start) studying at this school?</td>
<td>What _____ (you, hear) about your favorite country before you _____ (study/read) about it?</td>
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Wrap-up:

- Divide students into pairs. Have each pair go to the front of the classroom and draw a card. Students will mime the situation in it. The other students try to figure out what they are doing and say the sentence using the Past Perfect tense.

**Cards – Wrap-up**

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<td>You had entered the class before Student B arrived.</td>
<td>You had finished your homework before you called Student B.</td>
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<td>You had eaten your entire meal before Student B returned from the restroom.</td>
<td>You had talked to Student B before you entered the classroom.</td>
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<td>You had already fed and walked the dog before Student B arrived.</td>
<td>You had just ridden your bike when Student B arrived.</td>
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<td>You had already walked to the door by the time the doorbell rang.</td>
<td>You had already finished the race by the time Student B was halfway through.</td>
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<td>You had just picked up the phone when Student B arrived in your home.</td>
<td>You had already finished reading a book by the time Student B finished doing the dishes.</td>
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Questionnaire
Talk to a classmate. Write down his/her answers.

1. Had you finished your homework before I saw you?
   ______________________________________________________________

2. Name someone you wish you had met.
   ______________________________________________________________

3. How many World Cups had Brazil won when you were born?
   ______________________________________________________________

4. Had you had breakfast before you left home?
   ______________________________________________________________

5. Had Google been created when you were born?
   ______________________________________________________________

6. What had your friend done to upset you so much?
   ______________________________________________________________

7. Where had you traveled before you studied here/with this book?
   ______________________________________________________________