Complete with the Simple Past or Past Perfect

The Past Perfect expresses the idea that something occurred before another action in the past. It can also show that something happened before a specific time in the past. For the action which happened first, use Past Perfect, for the second action, use Simple Past.

1. When I ________ home yesterday, (get) my father_______already _________ dinner. (cook)
2. I __________ (not/go) to the movies with my friends because I _____________ the film already. (see)
3. I __________ (be) hungry because I ___________(not/eat) lunch.
4. I ______________ very late at the party. (arrive) All my friends ________ already _________ home. (go)
5. She __________ (send) the letter that she ______________ . (write)
6. They __________ (show) me the pictures, they ________________ during their holidays. (take)
7. The boy ________ sorry (say) for what he _____________. (do)
8. When I ________ (see) you, I realized we _____________ (meet) before.
9. I ___________ (lose) the key that he _____________ (give) to me.
10. The waiter _____________ (serve) something that we _____________. (not / order).
11. The storm _____________ (destroy) the house that they _______________. (build)
12. The children ____________ (clean) the blackboard they ______________ (use) to do the mathematics exercise.
13. When we _______ to the airport, (get) we realized we ______________ our passports. (forget)
14. He ______ (tell) me he ______ never_________ (try) caviar before.
ANSWER KEY:

1. got / had cooked
2. didn't go / had seen
3. was / hadn't eaten
4. arrived / had gone
5. sent / had written
6. showed / had taken
7. said / had done
8. saw / had met
9. lost / had given
10. served / hadn't ordered
11. destroyed / had built
12. cleaned / had used
13. got / had forgotten
14. told / had tried