**Began or Begun?**

**Began**

**This is the Past Simple of ‘begin’.**

**You *simply* adapt the present tense…**

**Today I will begin my new timetable.**

 **…into the past tense**

 **Yesterday I began my new timetable.**

**Begun**

* **This is the Past Participle of ‘begin’.**

**Rule: When using the Past Participle ‘begun’, you MUST add ‘have’, ‘has’ or ‘had’.**

**I have begun my essay.**

**Summer has officially begun.**

**She had begun to eat less sugar.**

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**TOP TIP: You Need an ‘A’!**

Begun uses ‘u’, not ‘a’. You need to add ‘had’, ‘has’ or ‘have’. **The song had begun.**

Began already has an ‘a’. Do not add anything!

 **The song began**.

She began singing.

**Complete the following sentences with began or begun.**

1. A new term has \_\_\_\_\_ well.
2. The teacher \_\_\_\_ awarding lots of stars for great effort.
3. The performance was so moving that she \_\_\_\_\_ crying!
4. It \_\_\_\_\_\_ raining as he left the house.
5. The rain had \_\_\_\_\_ suddenly! He didn’t have a coat.
6. World War 1 \_\_\_\_ in 1914.
7. She \_\_\_\_\_ running as soon as she entered the field.
8. He has \_\_\_\_\_\_ reading a brilliant new book.
9. He \_\_\_\_\_ drum lessons as he wanted to try something different.

10. They have \_\_\_\_ work on their leaking roof.

Answers: 1. Begun 2. Began 3. Began 4. Began 5. Begun 6. Began 7. Began 8. Begun 9.Began 10.Begun.