Leave by Noon

English · B2

Scan to play the song

Name _____ Class _____ Date _____

The grammar · Passive: had been + done

Find it: __ / 2

1 · SEE IT

The order had been given on the radio at dawn:

been is a form of **be**, "the passive, earlier in the past".

2 · LEARN IT

I had been told	someone had told me	**the order had been given**	someone had given it
the car had been packed	we had packed it	**the street had been flooded**	water had flooded it
it had been signed	someone had signed it	**we'd been told**	someone had told us

3 · FIND IT

Circle every form of be. One line has none.

1. when they tell you to leave, you leave.
2. By eleven the car had been packed with water, papers and photos,
3. When we came back a week later, the street had been flooded,

2 · Lyric Scramble

__ / 5

Number the lines 1 to 5, in song order.

- [ ] our zone was being evacuated, and we had to be gone by noon.
- [ ] My father, who had stayed through every storm since the eighties,
- [ ] said we'd ride it out the way we always had,
- [ ] If the sky had looked angry, I would have argued with him,
- [ ] with the shutters down and candles on the kitchen table.

Sing it together

Play the song. Everyone sings the chorus. Then two halves take turns, line by line.

My score ____ / 7

For parents: scan to play the song at home. The app is free to try.

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English · B2 · Grammar: Passive: had been + done · 7 points

Grammar · Find it (2)

1 none 2 been, packed 3 been, flooded

2 · Lyric Scramble (5)

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For the teacher

Play the song once with the lyrics. Do "See it" and "Learn it" together; students do "Find it". Students do the 4 games alone or as homework, add up their score and hand in the sheet. Each game is also in the app's Arcade.

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