

Michael Jackson



Past Perfect



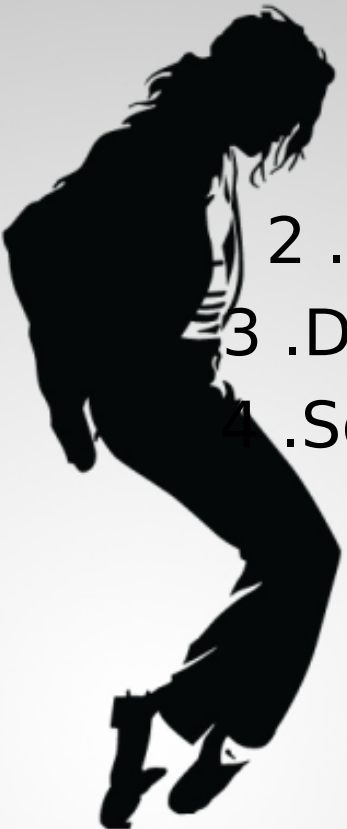
1982

2009

Michael Jackson *had*
released Thriller before he
died in 2009

Michael Jackson *had released* Thriller before he *died* in 2009

Discuss the questions with a partner:



1 .Are we talking about the past? YES

2 .How many actions are there in the past? TWO

3 .Did both actions happen at the same time? NO

4 .So did one action happen before the other? YES

5 .Which action happened first?

Michael Jackson *released*
Thriller

Michael Jackson *had released* Thriller
before he *died* in 2009

had released



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Form: Had + past participle

