

# ABOUT THE VIDEO MAKER

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#### Video script

Hi everyone, and welcome to my website. Tonight, I decided to treat myself to a good meal. Well, I've been craving a different experience. So I headed out with my phone and wallet to a restaurant. While I was walking pass tall trees with a calm breeze rolling through the air, I was thinking what a great decision I had made! As I reached a restaurant, I found it so cozy and warm. The wonderful smell of food spread all over which immediately caught my attention. I took a deep breath and entered. The restaurant had a marvelous atmosphere with its relaxing design. I took the stairs up to the second floor as it was quieter than the first floor. I encountered a cozy table, so I picked it and waited for my order. There were so many types of food that looked scrumptious in the pictures and descriptions. Wow! It's so hard to choose. I really wanted to taste Filet Mignon steak with mushroom sauce, and I couldn't resist also getting a serving of Grilled Salmon and, of course, the Fettuccine Alfredo. I couldn't wait to see what this combination would taste like. When the food arrived, it looked absolutely incredible. I started with the steak... wow! The meat was so soft that it melted in my mouth. Then I tasted a small piece of salmon. It tasted of the fresh sea and was amazing with the lemon and fresh vegetables. And the pasta alfredo was just perfect. That creamy sauce and Parmesan cheese was a dream combination. I truly enjoyed every bite. After all that delicious food, it was time for dessert. For the dessert, I ordered cheesecake with strawberry sauce and crème brulee. I also ordered a café latte to complete this sweet experience. Both desserts were perfect, especially the

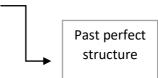
caramel layer on the crème brulee that made a satisfying crunch when I broke it with my spoon. The café latte with its sweet foam was truly a treat. After feeling completely full and satisfied, I asked the waiter for the bill. I went to the cashier and paid with my card. I extended my thanks to the staff for making my evening so unforgettable. I went out of the restaurant and the cool night air brushed against my face. It was a truly wonderful night, and I'm sure I'll be back here again.

# **Vocabulary list:**

- I treated myself to a good meal: I did something special for myself as a form of reward.
- Delicious: mouthwatering
- Cozy: comfortable
- Scrumptious: tasty
- I extended my thanks: I thanked someone. (It suggests you gave a sincere and heartfelt expression of gratitude.)

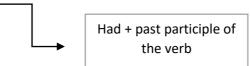
## **Different types of structures:**

I was thinking what a great decision I had made!



This structure is used when an action happens <u>before</u> another action in the past.

I had done my homework before you arrived.



She <u>had added</u> garlic before her daughter said she didn't like it.

### More examples:

Did you know that her father **had made** a sculpture for her birthday?

They were playing with a toy that they **had made** themselves.

**Practice:** Rewrite the following structures with the past perfect tense:

She made a scrumptious cake for her children.
Mr. White knew how to teach Spanish.
You opened the door when you heard the bell.
Their friends went to the gym.