

PAST CONTINUOUS – PAST PERFECT CONTINUOUS

Past Continuous	Past Perfect Continuous
Was/were + Ving	Had + been + Ving
Действие проходило в определенный момент в прошлом (<u>одновременно</u>): <i>When my mother entered the room, I was doing homework.</i> <i>I was doing homework at five o'clock yesterday.</i>	Действие проходило до определенного момента в прошлом (<u>предыдущее</u>): <i>When my mother entered the room, I was so tired. I had been doing homework.</i> Действие проходило в определенный промежуток времени в прошлом: <i>I had been doing homework for five hours yesterday.</i> <i>I had been doing homework since five o'clock yesterday.</i>

Past Continuous or Past Perfect Continuous? Open the brackets and fill in the gaps:

1. That was the great ball. The old lady (wear) _____ a velvet dress which hadn't seen a light for twenty years.
2. The guests had gone. Then they (sit) _____ alone in front of the fireplace.

3. She (study) _____ Art for three years before she started to work in the publishing office. When I asked her to make some illustrations to my book, she (finish) _____ to illustrate her first book.
4. He (travel) _____ for two days, but looked fresh and rested.
5. The storm had gone, the sky was blue, and the sun (shine) _____ again.
6. She (receive) _____ the letters since last year because he'd got ill.
7. My grandmother (wait) _____ for her husband from the war for ten years, so her sight had changed a lot.
8. They (go) _____ up to the highway. After fifteen kilometres they were stopped by the local police.