

Past Perfect Continuous Tense

(Had + been + verb + ing)

An action that started in the past, and continued up until another time or action in the past

- He for hours before he arrived. (drive)
- He that heavy box for an hour before he could put it down. (carry)
- He for some hours before he got it right. (draw)
- I all day for him to arrive. (wait)
- I to get a visa for months before I gave up. (try)
- He went to bed early because he ill all day. (feel)
- The jury it's verdict for most of the day before the judge ordered them to find the murderer guilty. (consider)
- They on the phone for over 2 hours before ending their conversation (chat)
- I for the bus for half an hour before it arrived. (wait)
- He was tired because he hard all day. (work)
- They in that house for 20 years before they sold it. (live)
- The children outside all day until it started to rain. (play)