

1 Read the blog post and answer the questions.

- What had the writer forgotten to do? _____
- What happened next? _____

HOME	BLOGS	FORUMS	ABOUT	CONTACTS
In my English class we ¹<i>d prepared/d been preparing</i> for final presentations for a whole month, and my group was scheduled to present on Monday at 9.00 a.m. These presentations were very important. The teacher ²<i>had told/had been telling</i> us they were worth half our final grade. Imagine my horror when I woke up that day at 8.45 a.m. I ³<i>d forgotten/d been forgetting</i> to set my alarm! I messaged my group to say I was going to be late. They ⁴<i>d been getting/d got</i> quite worried because we ⁵<i>d arranged/d been arranging</i> to meet early for a final practice of our presentation and I ⁶<i>hadn't arrived/hadn't been arriving</i> or ⁷<i>hadn't called/called</i>. I quickly got ready and ran out of the house. The pavement was wet because it ⁸<i>had rained/had been raining</i> all night. Suddenly, I slipped over on the path and fell heavily. Even though I ⁹<i>d never broken/d never been breaking</i> a bone before, I knew from the pain that it was what I ¹⁰<i>d done/d been doing</i>. By the time I checked my phone at the hospital later that morning, I ¹¹<i>d received/d been receiving</i> twelve increasingly frustrated messages from my group members. They ¹²<i>d wondered/d been wondering</i> what on earth ¹³<i>had happened/had been happening</i> to me. In the end, they ¹⁴<i>d continued/d been continuing</i> with the presentation as planned, but the teacher said I wouldn't get any marks unless I had a very good excuse for my absence. Even though oversleeping was the real reason I ¹⁵<i>d missed/d been missing</i> the presentation, my broken wrist provided a very good excuse indeed!				

2 Complete the blog post with the correct alternatives. More than one option may be possible.

3 Write your own story about something that went wrong, but worked out OK in the end. Use the past perfect simple and continuous.