



2 Complete 1-4 in the GRAMMAR PANEL with the correct tense. Then complete a-d with sentences in 1.

1 The eyes of the world were watching as the capsule brought up the last of the 33 miners.	3 He had been working as a miner for 31 years before he became famous.
2 The men had survived underground for 69 days.	4 It took approximately 15 minutes to bring each of the men up.

Past simple & past continuous

We use the ⁽¹⁾ _____ to talk about actions completed at a specific point in the past. These tell the main events in a story in the order they happened: ^(a) _____ We use the ⁽²⁾ _____

1 for an action in progress at a point in the past: ^(b) _____

2 to talk about simultaneous actions in the past: *While each miner was traveling up to the surface, their families were waiting anxiously.*

Past perfect & past perfect continuous

We use the ⁽³⁾ _____ to talk about an event that happened before a point in the past: ^(c) _____

We use the ⁽⁴⁾ _____ to talk about a longer action in progress before another action in the past (often continuing up to this action): ^(d) _____