

Complete the sentences with the past perfect simple or continuous form of the verbs in brackets.

1. We were furious, because we _____ (wait) for over five hours before the plane got permission to take off.
2. He _____ (cheat) for over a year in all his exams before one of the teachers finally found evidence to prove it.
3. The hurricane completely destroyed the cottage that they _____ (build) only a year ago.
4. I must've dropped the confidential documents that he _____ (hand) to me.
5. When they got home, they discovered that their baby sitter _____ (already put) their toddler to bed.
6. When I finally reached the end of the queue, I found out that my colleague _____ (pick up) the tickets an hour earlier.
7. The waiter, who was under a lot of pressure, brought a fruit drink that I _____ (not order).
8. I had enormous difficulty recalling the complex password I _____ (commit) to memory the previous night.
9. The children excitedly collected the nuts that _____ (fall) from the trees.
10. She _____ (ride) her pony all afternoon when we glimpsed her briefly as she went into the wood.
11. I _____ (watch) the programme every week for nearly two months, but to my horror I had to miss the last episode.
12. She _____ (live) in London all her life and was reluctant to move, even when she got married.