

PAST PERFECT CONTINUOUS

HAD + BEEN + -ing

We use the **Past Perfect Continuous** to talk about:

-ACTIONS IN PROGRESS BEFORE ANOTHER ACTION IN THE PAST.

Example: She **had been making** lunch for 2 hours when the guests arrived.

-TO SHOW THAT ONE ACTION IN THE PAST LASTED FOR A LONG TIME BEFORE ANOTHER PAST ACTION.

Example: I **had been looking** for my watch for ages when Celia found it.

1. Complete the sentences with verbs from the box. Use the Past Perfect Continuous.

eat play rain win work

1-Itfor three days before it finally stopped.

2-She sweets all morning—that's why she wasn't hungry.

3-They were wet because theyin the rain.

4- The teamthe game until the other side scored.

5-Ias a receptionist before I got the job as a hotel manager.

2. Choose the correct answer.

1-He was happy because he his watch.

a. had found b. had been finding

2-My friends here before we settled in the neighborhood.

a. had been moving b. had moved

3-I for the party for two days!

a. had been cooking b. had cooked

4-She _____ to her CD all evening before her mother told her to do her homework.

a. had been listening b. had listened