

Grammar training

Past Perfect Simple and Continuous

Complete the sentences with the correct form

of the verb provided in Past Perfect Simple.

1. By the time the guests arrived, Sarah _____ (decorate) the entire house.
2. Tom didn't recognize the house because they _____ (paint) it.
3. After they _____ (take) the test, they felt relieved.
4. She cried because she _____ (break) her favorite mug.
5. By the time we arrived, they _____ (begin) eating without us.
6. He was nervous because he _____ (forget) his lines in the play.
7. The dog was happy because it _____ (find) its bone.
8. I didn't recognize her because she _____ (cut) her hair.
9. When we got home, we realized we _____ (leave) the window open.
10. She _____ (give) him advice before he went to the interview.
11. Sharon smiled because she _____ (hear) good news.
12. I _____ (never/see) the ocean before I went to Portugal.

Complete the sentences with the correct form of

the verb provided in Past Perfect Continuous.

1. She was exhausted because she _____ (run) all morning.
2. By the time we arrived, they _____ (wait) for nearly an hour.
3. He was annoyed because he _____ (try) to reach her all day.
4. We were happy because we _____ (plan) this trip for months.
5. She felt tired because she _____ (study) all night.
6. They _____ (argue) about the decision for over an hour when we joined them.
7. The ground was wet because it _____ (rain) for hours.
8. I was frustrated because I _____ (look) for my keys everywhere.
9. He _____ (work) on that project for weeks when it got canceled.
10. He _____ (drive) for hours before they reached their destination.
11. I _____ (practise) that song repeatedly, so I was ready to perform.
12. They _____ (discuss) the proposal when the manager walked in.

