

# GRAMMAR-WORKBOOK PAG.91

## Past perfect continuous SB p.115

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★ ★ ★ Complete the sentences with the verbs. Use one past perfect simple form and one past perfect continuous form in each pair.

0 (spend)

A She didn't have any money left because she had spent it all on a new dress.  
B They had been spending too much money for years and now they had none left.

1 (play)

A He had only football for five minutes when he broke his leg.  
B They had been all the games in the house and now they were bored.

2 (drink)

A He had four glasses of water and now he really needed the toilet.  
B He had been the cup of coffee for more than an hour and now it was cold.

3 (not look)

A She had where she was going and that's why she crashed.  
B She had been at her diary that day and that's why she missed her appointment.

## Past perfect continuous vs. past perfect simple SB p.115

### 6 ★ ★ ★ Circle the best options.

0 I was disappointed. I had saved / had been saving all year and I still didn't have enough money.  
1 Dad had cooked / had been cooking all morning and the kitchen smelled great.  
2 They hadn't eaten / hadn't been eating anything all day and they were really hungry.  
3 Kevin had watched / had been watching the film five times and he still didn't really understand it.  
4 They had walked / had been walking 50 km before they saw anyone.  
5 She failed the test because she hadn't written / hadn't been writing enough.

### 7 ★ ★ ★ Complete the text with the words in the list.

had-been-having | hadn't called | hadn't listened  
had been snowing | had been waiting  
hadn't been sleeping | had written  
1 had been having headaches for a week and I <sup>2</sup> hadn't well, so my dad made an appointment for me to see the doctor. We took a taxi to the doctor's because it <sup>3</sup> had been all morning.

We arrived at 3 pm and sat down. We <sup>4</sup> had been for an hour and they still <sup>5</sup> hadn't me when Dad went to talk to the receptionist. My appointment was for 2 pm! Dad <sup>6</sup> had been properly on the phone and he <sup>7</sup> hadn't down the wrong time!

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#### Past perfect continuous vs. past continuous

Learners sometimes use the past continuous when the past perfect continuous is required.

✓ We had been training for weeks, but we lost.  
✗ We were training for weeks, but we lost.

Complete the sentences with the correct form of the verb in brackets.

0 I found his phone under the chair where he had been sitting (sit).  
1 We met by accident when she had been (walk) her dog.  
2 When I saw him, he had been (carry) a rucksack.  
3 I had been (wait) for hours, so I was very happy when he called.  
4 I had been (work) all day, so I decided to go out.  
5 He had been (talk) on his phone when the fire alarm went off.

