

Past Perfect Continuous

Directions: Write the past perfect continuous form of the verb(s) in parentheses.

Example:

By the time she arrived, we had been waiting (wait) for over an hour.

1. She _____ (work) at the company for five years before she changed jobs.

2. By the time our friend got there, we _____ (stand) outside in the cold for an hour.

3. He _____ (sleep, not) much lately. That's why he was so exhausted last night.

4. They _____ (study) English for only six months when they took the test.

5. By the time the bus finally came, I _____ (wait) since 6:00 a.m.

6. She _____ (pay, not) attention during the lecture. That's why she was confused.

7. We _____ (talk) about moving for years before we finally decided to do it.

8. By the time the store closed, the employees _____
(work) for nine hours straight.

9. He _____ (sleep) for ten hours when his alarm went off.

10. They _____ (cook, not) for very long when the power
went out.

11. _____ she _____ (exercise) long before
she got sick?

12. By the time I met her, she _____ (live) abroad for
almost a decade.

13. The kids _____ (play) video games in the living room
before their parents got home.

14. He _____ (listen, not) attention, so he didn't hear his
name.

15. By noon, we _____ (discuss) the problem for hours.

16. _____ you _____ (prepare) for the
marathon for a while before you ran it?

17. She _____ (feel, not) well recently, which worried her
doctor.

18. By the time the guests arrived, I _____ (clean) all
morning.