

Past Perfect Continuous Independence Day *4th of July*

Complete the sentences with the Past Perfect Continuous form of the verb.

1. Before the fireworks began, the city workers _____ the park all morning. (decorate)
2. By the time the guests arrived, we _____ red, white, and blue banners for several hours. (hang)
3. Before the Independence Day concert started, the musicians _____ together for weeks. (practice)
4. When the parade finally began, the spectators _____ along the streets since early morning. (wait)
5. Before the picnic started, the families _____ food for the celebration all day. (prepare)
6. By noon, the children _____ American flags for two hours. (wave)
7. Before the fireworks display, the organizers _____ the event for months. (plan)
8. When the mayor gave her speech, volunteers _____ chairs around the stage since sunrise. (arrange)
9. Before the national anthem was played, the band _____ for several hours. (rehearse)
10. By the time the barbecue began, the cooks _____ hamburgers and hot dogs all afternoon. (grill)
11. Before the parade reached the town square, the performers _____ through the streets for over an hour. (march)
12. When the fireworks lit up the sky, families _____ together in the park since dinner time. (sit)
13. Before the celebration ended, photographers _____ pictures throughout the event. (take)
14. By the time the visitors left, local businesses _____ patriotic souvenirs all day. (sell)
15. Before the evening concert, the sound technicians _____ the equipment since early afternoon. (test)