PAST PERFECT vs PAST PERFECT CONTINUOUS

UNIT 12 | COMMUNICATION

5. Choose the correct answer.

Tick one box for each sentence.

1. By the time I checked my inbox, my teacher _____ the email.

- ☐ had sent
- ☐ had been sending

2. She was tired because she _____ on her keyboard for three hours.

- ☐ had typed
- ☐ had been typing

3. By 6 p.m., Mark _____ all five emails.

- ☐ had written
- ☐ had been writing

4. When I picked up my phone, I saw that my friend _____ me three times.

- ☐ had called
- ☐ had been calling

5. He was annoyed because he _____ for an important phone call all morning.

- ☐ had waited
- ☐ had been waiting

6. Before the meeting started, Anna _____ the text message to her manager.

- ☐ had sent
- ☐ had been sending

7. By noon, the students _____ on the internet for two hours.

- ☐ had chatted
- ☐ had been chatting

8. She was happy because she _____ a letter from her best friend.

- ☐ had received
- ☐ had been receiving

9. When we arrived, they _____ the phone call.

- ☐ had already made
- ☐ had already been making

10. His fingers hurt because he _____ messages all evening.

- ☐ had typed
- ☐ had been typing

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11. By the time I got home, my brother _____ his conversation with Dad.

- ☐ had finished
- ☐ had been finishing

12. She was worried because she _____ to call her mum for an hour without success.

- ☐ had tried
- ☐ had been trying

13. By 8 o'clock, we _____ the whole letter.

- ☐ had written
- ☐ had been writing

14. He smiled because he _____ the email he was waiting for.

- ☐ had received
- ☐ had been receiving

15. By the time the teacher entered, we _____ the problem for twenty minutes.

- ☐ had discussed
- ☐ had been discussing

16. I _____ up the phone when the doorbell rang.

- ☐ had just hung
- ☐ had just been hanging

17. Her eyes were tired because she _____ emails since early morning.

- ☐ had read
- ☐ had been reading

18. Before he went abroad, he _____ a conversation in English.

- ☐ had never had
- ☐ had never been having

19. By 5 p.m., Kate _____ to customers on the phone for four hours.

- ☐ had spoken
- ☐ had been speaking

20. They were proud because they _____ the right decision.

- ☐ had made
- ☐ had been making

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