Past perfect progressive

Grade 5 Verbs Worksheet

Fill in the blanks to complete the sentences in the past perfect progressive.

1. We <u>had been eating</u> (*ate*) all the pizza that was on the table.

The past perfect progressive (continuous) tense is formed by using had been followed by the – ing form of the verb.

I had been working all night.

- 2. My dog ______ (*ran*) around the pool before jumping in.
- 3. The singer ______ (*sang*) all of my favorite songs at the concert.
- 4. The river ______ (*flowed*) through the countryside.
- 5. My parents _____ (*wanted*) to buy a new house in Florida.
- 6. The teachers ______ (*read*) three books during summer vacation.
- 7. My daughter _____ (*danced*) in a competition.
- 8. The worker ______ (*delivered*) the mail to everyone in the neighborhood.

Now try on your own:

- 1. Form a sentence using the **past** tense.
- 2. Form a sentence using the **past perfect progressive** tense.



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Answers

- 1. We <u>had been eating</u> (*ate*) all the pizza that was on the table.
- 2. My dog <u>had been running</u> (*ran*) around the pool before jumping in.
- 3. The singer <u>had been singing</u> (*sang*) all of my favorite songs at the concert.
- 4. The river <u>had been flowing</u> (*flowed*) through the countryside.
- 5. My parents <u>had been wanting</u> (*wanted*) to buy a new house in Florida.
- 6. The teachers <u>had been reading</u> (*read*) three books during summer vacation.
- 7. My daughter <u>had been dancing</u> (*danced*) in a competition.
- 8. The worker <u>had been delivering</u> (*delivered*) the mail to everyone in the neighborhood.

Now try on your own:

1. Form a sentence using the **past** tense.

Answers will vary.

Form a sentence using the past perfect progressive tense.
<u>Answers will vary.</u>

