

Past Perfect Continuous

Affirmative Sentences

- After the subject put helping verb had been.
- Then use the first form of verb with ing.
- Then thirdly, use the “for” and “since”.
- "For" denotes a timing, whereas "since" denotes a continuous activity or occurrence in the past.

Subject	+	Helping verb	+	1 st form of verb + ing	+	Object	+	Since/For
They	+	had been	+	reading	+	story book	+	since night
We	+	had been	+	reading	+	story book	+	since night
He	+	had been	+	reading	+	story book	+	since night
She	+	had been	+	reading	+	story book	+	since night
You	+	had been	+	reading	+	story book	+	since night
It	+	had been	+	reading	+	story book	+	since night
I	+	had been	+	reading	+	story book	+	since night

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Negative Sentences

- Between "had" and "been" in a negative phrase, "not" is used.

Sub	+	had	+	not been	+	1 st form of verb + ing	+	Object	+	Since/For
They	+	had	+	not been	+	reading	+	book	+	since night
We	+	had	+	not been	+	reading	+	book	+	since night
He	+	had	+	not been	+	reading	+	book	+	since night
She	+	had	+	not been	+	reading	+	book	+	since night
You	+	had	+	not been	+	reading	+	book	+	since night
It	+	had	+	not been	+	reading	+	book	+	since night
I	+	had	+	not been	+	reading	+	book	+	since night

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Interrogative Sentences

- In an interrogative statement, had comes before the subject, and other question words like "how," "where," and "why" come before had.

Had	+	Sub + been	+	1 st form of verb + ing	+	Object	+	Since/For
Had	+	they been	+	reading	+	book	+	since night
Had	+	we been	+	reading	+	book	+	since night
Had	+	he been	+	reading	+	book	+	since night
Had	+	she been	+	reading	+	book	+	since night
Had	+	you been	+	reading	+	book	+	since night
Had	+	it been	+	reading	+	book	+	since night
Had	+	i been	+	reading	+	book	+	since night

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Affirmative sentence

- He had been living in this house since childhood.
- We had been opposing him for five years.
- He had been playing hockey for one years.
- She had been writing a letter for three minutes.

Negative Sentence

- The juggler had not been impressing the people since morning.
- Jan had not been offering prayer since 3 o' clock.
- He had not been publishing a book for three years.
- The girl had not been pressing the clothes since evening.

Interrogative sentence

- Had he been abusing him?
- Had they been waiting for you for an hour?
- Had he been publishing a book for three years?
- Had you been watching play for two days?

