

- We use *feel, hear, see, watch* + infinitive without *to* when we want to say that we saw the whole action from beginning to end:

*I **watched** Mary **paint** a picture.* (I saw Mary start on the painting, paint it and finish painting.)

- We use *feel, hear, see, watch* + *-ing* form when we witness only a part of the action:

*I **watched** Mary **painting** a picture.* (Mary was painting a picture when I saw her.)

Complete the second sentence so that it has a similar meaning to the first, using the word in capitals. Do not change the word in capitals.

- 1 You're looking for volunteers? You could put a poster up in the school. **TRIED**

Have you _____ a poster in the school?

- 2 It's really important that you hand in your assignment on Friday. **REMEMBER**

You must _____ your assignment on Friday.

- 3 Would John like to come to the concert on Sunday? **FANCY**

Does John _____ the concert on Sunday?

- 4 I told him that dropping Spanish was a bad idea.

ENCOURAGED

I _____ Spanish.

- 5 Those boots are much too expensive for me to buy.

AFFORD

I _____ those boots.

- 6 Jake has been forbidden from using his dad's computer.

ALLOWED

Jake _____ his dad's computer.

- 7 Janice doesn't go to dance class anymore. She quit two weeks ago. **STOPPED**

Janice _____ two weeks ago.

2.2 Past Perfect Simple and Continuous

Past Perfect Simple

We use the Past Perfect Simple:

- to talk about actions that happened before a particular time or event in the past (for which we usually use the Past Simple):

*When I arrived at the wedding reception, the bride's father **had already made** his speech.*

*By the age of sixteen, he **had learnt** to speak three foreign languages.*

- to talk about states that were true or happening before a particular time in the past:

*When my parents got married, they **had known** each other for fifteen years.*

Past Perfect Continuous

We use the Past Perfect Continuous to talk about actions that were in progress up to a particular time in the past (or finished shortly before it):

*The guests **had been waiting** in front of the church for forty minutes before the bus picked them up.*

*We **hadn't been thinking** about selling the house, but then we got this great offer.*

*How long **had you been watching** me before I woke up?*

Affirmative	Negative
I/You/He/ She/It/ had sleeping. We/They been	I/You/ hadn't He/ been She/ (had sleeping. It/We/ not They been)
Yes/No questions	Short answers
I/you/he/ Had she/it/we/ been sleeping? they	Yes, I/you/he/she/it/we/they had . No, I/you/he/she/it/we/they hadn't .
Wh- questions	Subject questions
How long had I/you/he/ she/it/we/ been sleeping? they	Who had been sleeping?

Past Perfect Simple vs Past Perfect Continuous

- We use the Past Perfect Simple:
 - to talk about finished actions:

*My father **had visited** his Scottish relatives twice before he finally went to live with them.*
 - to talk about states using stative verbs, e.g. *be, have, know, see, believe*:

*I **had never seen** such a magnificent church before I visited St Paul's Cathedral.*
- We use the Past Perfect Continuous to talk about actions but not states. We stress the duration of the action rather than the result:

*We **had been waiting** for three hours when they finally arrived.*