Exercises on Past Perfect Continuous

1. We (**sleep**)……………………………for 12 hours when he woke us up.
2. They (**wait**)…………………………at the station for 90 minutes when the train finally arrived.
3. We (**look**)………………………… for her ring for two hours and then we found it in the bathroom.
4. I (**not / walk**)…………………………for a long time, when it suddenly began to rain.
5. How long (**learn / she**)……………………English before she went to London?
6. Frank Sinatra caught the flu because he (**sing**)……………………the rain too long.
7. He (**drive**)…………………………less than an hour when he ran out of petrol.
8. They were very tired in the evening because they (**help**)……………………………on the farm all day.
9. I (**not / work**)…………………………all day; so I wasn't tired and went to the disco at night.
10. They (**cycle**)…………………………all day so their legs were sore in the evening.

Past Perfect Simple / Past Perfect Continuous

I'm sorry I left without you last night, but I told you to meet me early because the show started at 8:00. I (**try**)…………………………to get tickets for that play for months, and I didn't want to miss it. By the time I finally left the coffee shop where we were supposed to meet, I (**have**)…………………………five cups of coffee and I (**wait**)…………………………for over an hour. I had to leave because I (**arrange**)………………………… to meet Kathy in front of the theater.

When I arrived at the theater, Kathy (**pick already**)…………………………up the tickets and she was waiting for us near the entrance. She was really angry because she (**wait**)…………………………for more than half an hour. She said she (**give almost up**)………………………… and (**go**)…………………………into the theater without us.

Kathy told me you (**be late**)…………………………several times in the past and that she would not make plans with you again in the future. She mentioned that she (**miss**)…………………………several movies because of your late arrivals. I think you owe her an apology. And in the future, I suggest you be on time!