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Good morning students,

Yesterday, I have discussed about past perfect tense. Today I will discuss about past perfect continuous tense.

PAST PERFECT CONTINUOUS TENSE:

- The past perfect continuous tense is used :
- To show an action that had been going on before another past action.
Example: The girl had been trying to make the model of volcano before the teacher helped her.
- To show an action that was recently completed.
Example: Tendulkar had been playing for two hours before he was run out.

FORMS OF PAST PERFECT CONTINUOUS TENSE

I/we/you/he/she/it/they. + had + been +v4

For example: She had been meeting all the people before she contested the election .

In negative sentence:

Subject + had + not + been +v 4

For example: He had not been keeping well since a year.

In interrogative sentence:

Had +subject+ been + V4

For example: Had you been playing in the ground before it started raining ?

Assignment:

Rewrite the following sentences in the past perfect continuous tense . You may use the phrases for a month/for two hours/ for three days with them.The first one has been done for you.

1.The army was parading the streets.

Ans . The army had been parading the streets for three days.

2. The police are investigating the murder case.
3. The old lady was coughing .
4. He was writing a novel.

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