




### Tenses - Study Guide and Worksheet 4

#### A. Complete the following sentences using appropriate present perfect tense forms.

1. The workers \_\_\_\_\_ (paint) the walls.
2. We \_\_\_\_\_ (pay) our dues.
3. She \_\_\_\_\_ (not do) anything wrong.
4. Somebody \_\_\_\_\_ (steal) my purse.
5. I \_\_\_\_\_ (learn) the lesson.

#### Let's Learn together:

Refer to the following and find the difference between perfect tenses and perfect continuous tenses.

VERB TENSES			
<p>The past tense describes actions that have already happened or a state in the past. The present tense describes actions that are happening now or habitually performed. The future tense describes actions that have yet to happen or a state that does not yet exist.</p>			
	PAST	PRESENT	FUTURE
PERFECT	<p>I had written a story. He had written a story. You had not written a story. Had she written a story?</p>	<p>I have written a story. He has written a story. You have not written a story. Has she written a story?</p>	<p>I shall have written a story. He will have written write a story. You will not have written a story. Will she have written a story?</p>
PERFECT CONTINUOUS	<p>I had been writing a story. He had been writing a story. You had not been writing a story. Had she been writing a story?</p>	<p>I have been writing a story. He has been writing a story. You have not been writing a story. Has she been writing a story?</p>	<p>I shall have been writing a story. He will have been writing a story. You will not have been writing a story. Will she have been writing a story?</p>



**Let's Practise:**

**B. Underline the sentences with the correct past perfect continuous tense.**

1. The sparrows have been building a nest on the coconut tree.
2. The fireman had been trying to put out the fire for a long time.
3. The rain flooded the roads after the trees had been cut down.
4. When thirsty, our horse had been drinking water from the pail.
5. My parents had been walking for a few kilometers.
6. His sisters had been helping feed the neighborhoods stray dogs.

**Exam Preparation Exercise:**

**D. Write the present perfect continuous tense to complete the sentences below.**

1. The parrots \_\_\_\_\_ (learn) to talk.
2. The man of the match \_\_\_\_\_ (score) the most goals in the game.
3. He \_\_\_\_\_ (dream) of visiting the Ajanta caves.
4. I \_\_\_\_\_ (drink) less water as I forget.
5. The lime shrub \_\_\_\_\_ (bear) fruit for several years.
6. They \_\_\_\_\_ (borrow) their friends cycle to go to the shop.



**E: Complete the sentences with the correct future perfect continuous tense from the box.**

come	die	talking	present	coming
died	talked	teaching	taught	dying
presenting	came	talked	rained	rain

1. The chief guest \_\_\_\_\_  
(present) prizes to the winners.
2. They \_\_\_\_\_ (talk) loudly  
had the teacher not come early.
3. The circus \_\_\_\_\_ (come) to  
town if not for the lockdown.
4. I \_\_\_\_\_ (teach)  
toddlers if I were not ill.
5. The plants \_\_\_\_\_ (die) had it not  
rained.