Exercise 33

Past Tense

Fill in the spaces with the correct form of the verb in parentheses in past perfect progressive tense.

Note: This tense describes actions which were ongoing before other past actions, or which were ongoing in the distant past. It uses the helping verb phrase "had been" followed by the verb + "ing".

Example: I / You / We / They / He / She / It had been watching the fish in the aquarium before the giant turtle appeared.

1) Before I bought my new boat, I (go) ______ ______ ______ to the boat show every day to see the newest models.

2) You (talk) ______ ______ ________ to Whitney before the show began.

3) We (think) ______ ______ ______ about buying an electric car even before the price of gas went up.

4) They (race) ______ ______ ______ cars at that track for twenty years before it closed.

5) He (drive) ______ ______ ______ too fast all afternoon before the accident happened.

6) After she died, it was discovered that she (make) ______ ______ ______ secret donations to the shelter for years.

7) We (grow) ______ ______ ______ grapes for twelve years before we decided to open a winery.