

# Past perfect continuous

## Exercise 5. Complete the dialogues with positive and negative forms. \_\_\_\_\_

A Sam, how long ..... the laptop before it started working? (you | repair)

B The laptop? It took me five hours to repair it.

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A I was so tired at the end of the hike!

B But ..... so much. (we | not walk)

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A Why was your shirt full of stains?

B ..... my car. (I | clean)

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A You looked so exhausted.

B Really? But ..... so hard. (I | not work)

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A Why did Sarah get sunburnt?

B Because ..... on the beach all day. (she | lie)

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A Mr. Clark, why were you so annoyed?

B Because ..... to my arguments at all. (they | not listen)

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A ..... for a long time when you saw the doctor? (you | cough)

B Not really. For two or three days.

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A Miss Jones, how long ..... French when you moved to France?  
(you | learn)

B To tell the truth I'd never learned French before that.

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A Hi, Sam. Did you talk to Susan at last?

B Yes, I did. But ..... to me for a week before that. (she | not speak)

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A The police finally caught the bank robbers early in the morning.

B I know. .... for them day and night. (they | look)

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**Key with answers:**

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