Past Perfect & Past Perfect Continuous

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Had + Past Participle

 Express the past action, already finished when another past action happened

E.g: I met them after they had divorced each other.

Had been + V-ing

 Describe a past action which started in the past and continued to happen after another action or time in the past

E.g. Sara had been working here for two weeks when she had the accident.

Emphasize the result of an activity
in the past

Emphasize the duration of an activity in the past