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Prior Continuity

Directions: Read each **scenario** below. Imagine what had been happening **before the moment described**.

Write 1-2 sentences in the **past perfect continuous tense** (*had been + verb-ing*).

1. **A student is asleep at a desk with books open everywhere.**

Write what the student had been doing before falling asleep.

2. **A soccer player is covered in mud, smiling after a match.**

Write what the player had been doing before the picture was taken.

3. **A family is eating happily at a restaurant.**

Write what they had been doing before they arrived.

4. **A dog is lying on the floor next to a torn-up shoe.**

Write what the dog had been doing earlier.

5. **Two travelers are resting on benches at a train station with luggage.**

Write what they had been doing before they sat down.

6. **A child is holding a birthday cake with candles lit.**

Write what the guests had been doing before this moment.