Unit 3 Lesson 9 – Aya had been taking a nap.

Convert the following sentences into the given past perfect usage.

1. You came late. I wish you were early. ➝ (unreal)

2. Jackson asked the singer, 'When did you release your first album? ➝ (reported speech)

3. I wish I didn't to go to bed so late. ➝ (unreal)

4. She was telling me that she went to the beach last week.. ➝ (reported speech)

5. If you will study hard, you will pass the examination. ➝ (imaginary)

6. The manager said, 'I have never seen you for 3 days.' ➝ (reported speech)

Introduce today's sentences.

Grammar Focus

Past Perfect Progressive

Key Expressions

Aya had been taking a nap for longer than an hour when the door opened.

He had been looking for Aya before he went inside the nap pod.

Listen to the teacher and repeat.

snore

sleep like a rock

apology

nightmare

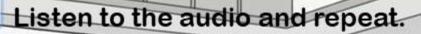job suspension

Aya's Terrible Day in the Office

Aya had been taking a nap for longer than an hour when the door opened. It was Steve. **He had been looking for Aya before he went inside the nap pod.** He was shocked as he saw Aya had been sleeping during work hours. Steve was a bit annoyed at this. He wanted to wake her up, but she had been snoring a lot. On the way back to his office, he met Olivia on the stairs. He asked Olivia to wake Aya up.

Olivia knew that Aya slept like a rock. She had been thinking of ways to wake Aya. Suddenly, Olivia had a brilliant idea. She got a cup and filled it with water. Just as Olivia was about to pour water, Aya suddenly woke up. She had been having a nightmare about getting a job suspension. Aya stood up surprisingly and thanked Olivia. She immediately went to Steve's office and asked for an apology.

Learn the grammar structures.

Past Perfect Progressive

Past Perfect Progressive is used to emphasize the duration of an action that was completed before another action or event in the past.

She **had been driving** around the city for two hours when she finally **found** the office.

found

2 hours

had been driving

past

now

future

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Review the Past Perfect Tense and compare it with the Past Perfect Progressive.

	Past Perfect Tense	Past Perfect Progressive
Diagram	past — now — future (Action 1, Action 2)	past — now — future (Action 1, Action 2)
Form	**Action 1:** had + past participle **Action 2:** simple past	**Action 1:** had + been + -ing verb **Action 2:** simple past
Use	The first past action **finished** before the second past action.	The first past action is **continued** until the second past action.
Time Markers	**by the time, when, before**	**by the time, when, before**
Examples	They **had worked** on the project **by the time** they went home. He **had looked** for Aya **before** he went inside the nap pod.	They **had been working** on the project for six hours **by the time** they went home. He **had been looking** for Aya **before** he went inside the nap pod.

Put the verbs into the correct past perfect progressive form.

1 We _____ **(walk)** along the road for about 20 minutes when a car stopped.

2 They _____ **(wait)** at the station for 90 minutes before the train finally arrived.

3 We _____ **(look)** for her ring for two hours and then we found it in the bathroom.

4 Aya caught the flu because he _____ **(not, eat)** healthy food and taking vitamins.

5 They were very tired in the evening because they _____ **(help)** on the office all day.

6 How long had she _____ **(learn)** English before she went to Canada?

Rewrite the following sentences based on the given form.

1. Aya had been working when the power was cut.

   ➖ _____

   ❓ _____

3. They had been printing when the printer stopped.

   ➖ _____

   ❓ _____

2. She hadn't been working as a designer for 5 years when she retired.

   ➕ _____

   ❓ _____
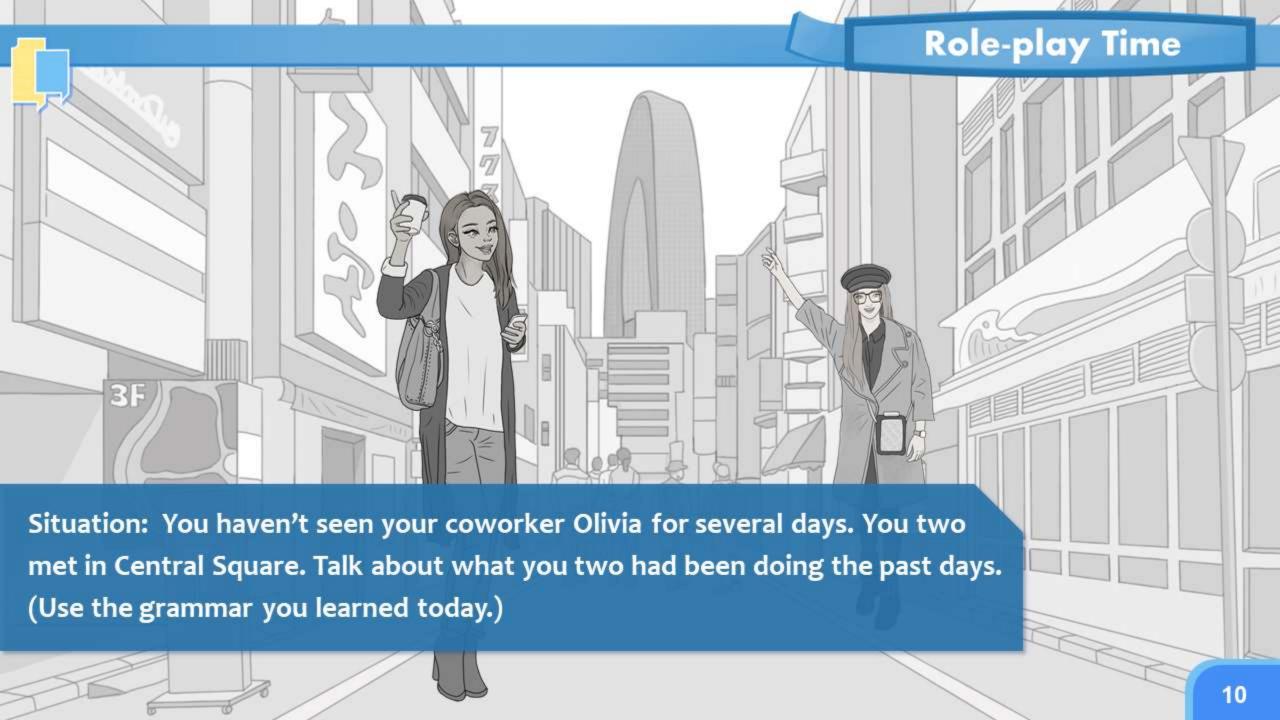
4. Had you been eating when the manager arrived?

   ➕ _____

   ➖ _____

Situation: You haven't seen your coworker Olivia for several days. You two met in Central Square. Talk about what you two had been doing the past days. (Use the grammar you learned today.)

Word Focus

apology

snore

nightmare

sleep like a rock

job suspension

Grammar Focus

- Past Perfect Progressive Tense