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FORM: had+been+Ving

USE: 1) duration of an activity up to a past point in time

2) result of an activity at a past point in time

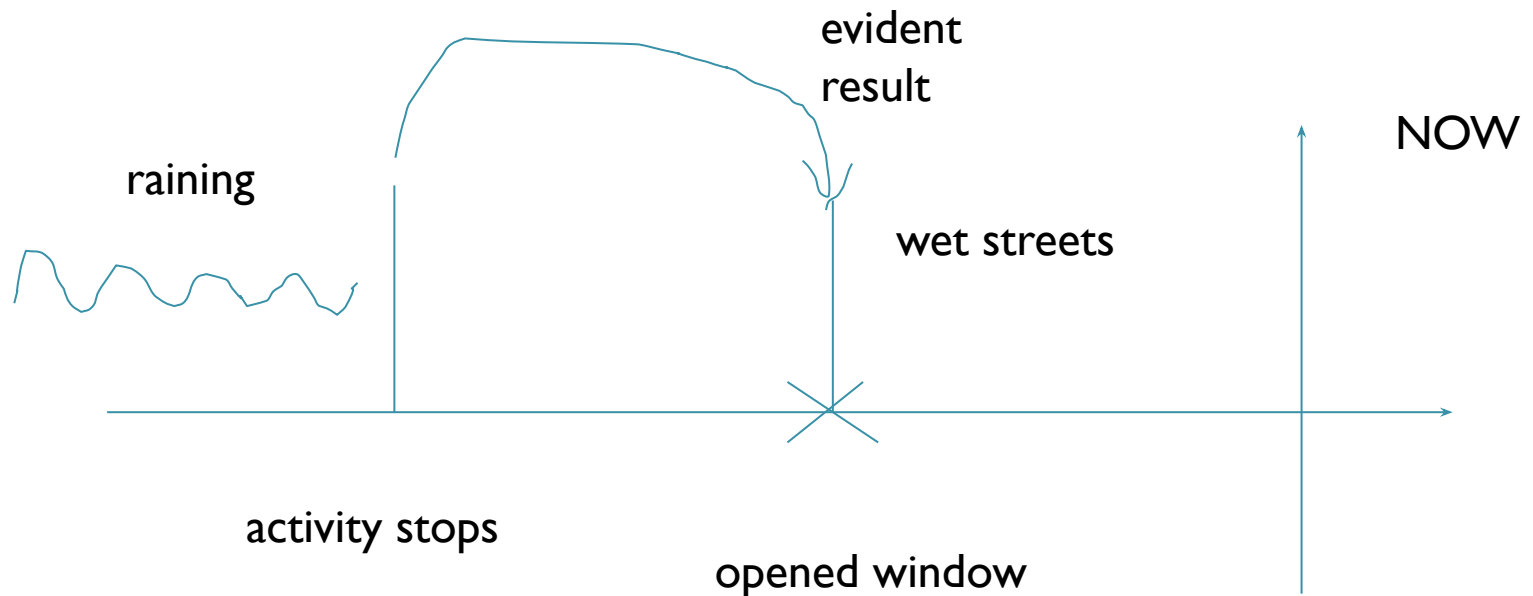
TIME EXPRESSIONS:

- Yesterday since _____
- For some time in the past

They had been swimming in the water for two hours when they were rescued




I opened the window and saw the streets were wet. It had been raining.






1. They felt tired that morning
because they (*drive*) all night.

- a) were driving
- b) had been driving
- c) had driven



2. Diana (*wait*) for an hour
before Nick (*arrive*).

- a) was waiting/arrived
- b) waited/was arriving
- c) had been waiting/arrived




3. She understood the problems of the company because she (*work*) there since it started.

a) was working

b) worked

c) had been working



4. When she was young
she (*dance*) a lot.

- a) danced
- b) had danced
- c) had been dancing

Practice

1. Tom was tired. He (to play) football for hours

2. Susan was very happy because she (to win) the first prize in the art competitions

3. Lisa was upset because she (to have) a horrible nightmare