**PAST TENSES**

**Which is the best alternative in the sentences below.**

1. We got to the park quite soon after lunch and fortunately the rain *stopped/had stopped* by then.
2. *We’d stood/been standing* in the rain for at least twenty minutes before the bus arrived, by which time we *were feeling/had been feeling* pretty cold and wet, as you can imagine.
3. *I’ve driven/I’ve been driving* along this road a thousand times - I could almost do it with my eyes shut.
4. You’d expect Anne to be looking tired because *she’s studied/she’s been studying* for her final exams for the past three weeks.
5. Jane *ate/had been eating* sweets all evening so it was not surprising she didn’t want any supper.
6. I think people *used to work/had worked* much harder in the past than they do nowadays.
7. So much noise *had come/had been coming* from our flat all afternoon that eventually the neighbours complained and we had to explain that we *repaired7were repairing* the heater and that we’d be finishing soon.
8. We always used to go to the Mediterranean for our holidays when I was a child. I think *we went/used to go* to Ibiza at least five times.