

**EXERCISE 1 (V<sub>1</sub> & AM/IS/ARE V<sub>ING</sub>)**

**Choose the correct answer.**

1. Oh come on, stop exaggerating! You **aren't dying / don't die**, you've just got the flu.
2. We **build / are building** an extension to the house because our kitchen and living room areas are so small.
3. Why **do you take / are you taking** the elevator to go up just one floor? I'm taking the stairs.
4. My kids usually **are doing / do** the dusting while I vacuum the house.
5. She **earns / is earning** about \$8.00 an hour as a waitress, but she gets more than double that in tips.
6. Every Christmas, she **is working / works** hard to distribute food and blankets to the homeless.
7. Currently, she **is working / works** for the government in the Department of Finance.
8. I **don't drink / am not drinking** wine very often, so I can't differentiate between good and bad brands.
9. The baby **cries / is crying**. You'd better change her diaper.
10. An African elephant's diet **consists / is consisting** of twigs, leaves, grasses, and fruit.
11. Right now, the expert **is working / works** on a research project studying the genes of DNA extracted from fruit flies.
12. In general, a car's trade-in value **is decreasing/decreases** by about 30% per year.
13. A local environmental group **organizes /is organizing** a demonstration today to protest against the government's plans to open a new nuclear energy plant in the area.
14. Dirty snow **melts / is melting** faster than clean snow.
15. Muscles in the palm of the hand **are controlling /control** delicate hand movements such as playing the piano or typing.
16. This weather **gets /is getting** colder. You'd better leave the engine running to keep it warm.
17. We **are studying / study** deviant adolescent behavior in my psychology course at the moment.
18. Americans **throw / are throwing** 20 billion disposable diapers in the garbage every year.
19. They **are having /have** a lot of data, but they **don't have / aren't having** an organized system to use it or analyze it.

**EXERCISE 2 (HAVE/HAS V3& HAVE/HAS BEEN VING)**

Choose the correct answer. In some questions, both answers may be correct.

1. Linguists **have created / have been creating** a vocabulary database. Soon, we will look at vocabulary in context.
2. The boss went home with a bad headache, so I **have been cancelling / have cancelled** all his engagements for the rest of the day.
3. **Have you seen / Have you been seeing** the latest edition of Time magazine?
4. He **has been earning / has earned** a decent income for a number of years now, and can afford to buy quite a nice house.
5. She **has always desired / has always been desiring** to have children, but cannot, so they have decided to adopt.
6. My weight **has decreased / has been decreasing** by about one pound since I started jogging, and watching what I eat.
7. The police **have been arresting / have arrested** a major cocaine dealer as a result of a six-month investigation.
8. The number of houses sold in our city **has declined / has been declining** by almost 10% in the past year due to rising interest rates.
9. He hasn't finished his homework yet because he **has watched / has been watching** TV for the last two hours.
10. His eccentric views **have put / have been putting** him in trouble a number of times.
11. You children need to give me a good explanation for why you **haven't been doing / haven't done** your homework yet.
12. Drought and famine in the region **have been costing / have cost** thousands of lives recently.
13. I don't know where Hannah is; we **have been arriving / have arrived** here just now.
14. I **have been answering / have answered** customer letters all day and I have still got 20 more.
15. I **have been thinking / have thought** about buying a new laptop for a while but I haven't decided which one to get yet.
16. Henry is not exactly best tennis player I **have ever seen / have ever been seeing**, but he certainly tries hard.
17. They **have been discussing / have discussed** the boy's situation for an hour.
18. I **have been reading / have read** the book you recommended. I just need a few days to finish it, but it's already among my favorites.
19. I **have been cleaning / have cleaned** around the house all morning. I'm so tired and I've still got the living room to clean.
20. He is one of the rudest people I **have ever met / have ever been meeting**.

**EXERCISE 3 (SINCE & FOR)**

**Choose the correct answer.**

1. Dinosaurs have been extinct **for/ since** millions of years.
2. Our household expenses have certainly increased **since/ for** we bought our own house.
3. He has been unemployed **for/since** over 6 months, and is desperate to find a job.
4. Family size in this country has declined dramatically **for /since** the mid-nineteenth century.
5. I had my doubts about Francis when she was hired for the job, but **for /since** then she has really impressed me with her work.
6. He has been on a diet **since /for** about a month, and has already lost 5 pounds.
7. Tim and Jack have been enemies ever **for /since** they got in a fight in elementary school.
8. **Since/For** years now, he has been just drifting from job to job.
9. They have been living a life of total ease and luxury **since/ for** they won the lottery.
10. He has been physically disabled ever **for/since** he broke his back in a car accident.

**EXERCISE 4 (V1& AM/IS/ARE VING& HAVE/HAS V3& HAVE/HAS BEEN VING)**

Choose the correct answer.

1. When the sun **crosses / is crossing** the earth's equator, day and night durations **are becoming / become** equal worldwide.
2. Currently, the company **plans / is planning** to downsize its operations, and lay off 25% of its employees.
3. **Have you seen / Have you been seeing** the designs for the new Porsche sports car? They're incredible.
4. Doctors **have discovered / have been discovering** a new treatment for diabetes, but it is still in the experimental stage.
5. We **experiment / have been experimenting** with different kinds of vegetable drinks since we **bought / have bought** an electric juicer.
6. The U.S. **has been making / is making** lots of money selling arms to the different factions at war in the region since it **began / begins**.
7. She **writes / is writing** down the details of her dreams in it every morning when she **wakes / woke up**.
8. The earth is a dynamic planet and **is changing / has been changing** throughout time.
9. My nephew **only drinks / has only been drinking** soy milk because he can't digest cow's milk.
10. Violence **is escalating / escalates** in the world these days, but simply responding with more violence is not the answer.
11. The problem of acid rain **increases / has increased** dramatically in recent years.
12. The emergence of the digital camera **has completely changed / completely changes** the nature of popular photography.
13. Someone **has been stealing / is stealing** office equipment over the last couple of months.
14. The diet of many people in poorer areas of the world **does not supply / hasn't been supplying** supply enough protein.
15. Weather conditions on the hill **worsen / are worsening**, so the ski lifts will probably close early today.
16. Fernand **is planning / plans** to study earth sciences at university starting next year.
17. With today's efficient household appliances, people **have / are having** more time to sit around doing nothing.
18. People **have been complaining / are complaining** of the erosion of morals in society for hundreds of years, but the fact is things **haven't changed / aren't changing** as much as people think.
19. My daughter **considers / is considering** studying graphic arts, but she **hasn't made / hasn't been making** a definite decision yet.
20. Enrolment at the university **has increased / is increasing** a great deal over the past five years.

**EXERCISE 5 (V2& WAS/WERE VING)**

Choose the correct answer.

1. While I **was travelling / travelled** in Italy, I **was seeing / saw** a wonderful exhibit of paintings by Marc Chagall.
2. Teresa **was discussing / discussed** the matter with a co-worker when the boss **was coming/came** into the office.
3. Snakes **evolved / were evolving** from lizard ancestors 120 million years ago.
4. The engineer **inspected / was inspecting** the bridge when the accident **was occurring / occurred**.
5. They **encountered / were encountering** a few problems while they **were travelling / travelled** in Greece last year.
6. My wife **was giving / gave** me a lot of encouragement when I **was writing / wrote** my first book.
7. The last ice age **had / was having** a profound effect upon the settlement patterns of man.
8. I **was having / had** a long discussion with my son about the importance of doing his homework.
9. The American colonies **declared / were declaring** independence from England in 1776.
10. The first European explorers in North America **were looking / looked** for a new route to Asia when they **were arriving / arrived** here.
11. Confucius **developed / was developing** his ethical and social philosophy in China between 551 and 479 B.C.
12. What **did you two do / were you two doing** on your date? I want to hear all the details.
13. Many firemen and policemen were killed in the terrorist attack on the World Trade Center when the towers **collapsed / were collapsing** while they **tried / were trying** to evacuate them.
14. Jeremy was afraid to dive in the water, so his sister **was pushing / pushed** him.
15. We **visited / were visiting** the super-expensive shopping district when we were in L.A.
16. We **were calling / called** the fire department when we **saw / were seeing** smoke coming out of the window of our neighbour's house.
17. She **caught / was catching** some kind of strange disease while she **worked / was working** in the Middle East.
18. The child **suffered / was suffering** emotional problems for years after the attack.
19. The worst nuclear disaster in United States history **occurred / was occurring** at Three Mile Island in 1979.
20. When they got divorced, they **divided / were dividing** all their property in half.

**EXERCISE 6 (V1& AM/IS/ARE VING& HAVE/HAS V3& HAVE/HAS BEEN VING &V2 & WAS/WERE VING)**

**Choose the correct answer.**

1. Enrollment in our language program **has been increasing / is increasing** steadily each year since it began.
2. The earliest cave paintings by man **have been / were** generally depictions of hunting and fertility.
3. The human brain **continues / continued** sending out electrical wave signals for up to 37 hours following death.
4. More than 60 percent of U.S. adults **do not engage / did not engage** in the recommended amount of physical activity.
5. What's the matter with Ravi? He really seems distracted today, and **isn't getting / wasn't getting** anything done.
6. Our water bill **is / was** really high during the drought because we **watered / were watering** our grass so often.
7. She has this really cool little electronic device and it measures her heartbeat and stuff while she **was doing / is doing** any kind of physical activity.
8. Hee-Joo **is / was** really excited about studying English in Ireland next year.
9. The play debuted in 1998, and **has been / is** continually popular ever since.
10. She **was wearing / has worn** a beautiful black dress with a design of red roses on that day.
11. I **was feeding / fed** a seal while I **dove / was diving** last weekend.
12. Tensions in the region **are escalating / have escalated** in the past few months, and the army is on full alert.
13. Hundreds of people **drowned / were drowning** during the sinking of the Titanic.
14. The discovery of oil in the 1950s **had / has had** a dramatic effect on the Libyan economy and society.
15. Albert Einstein **remained / remains** the greatest scientist of the modern era.
16. When doctors in Los Angeles **went / was going** on strike in 1976, the daily number of deaths in the city **decreased / has been decreasing**.
17. Dutch merchants **established / have established** trading posts all over the world during the 17th century.
18. Despite the current efforts of the U.N. peacekeepers in the region, the situation **is getting / was getting** steadily worse.
19. Tourists **have been visiting / were visiting** the island of Bermuda to escape North American winters since Victorian times.
20. The environment in our office **has been / was** really bad ever since one of the secretaries **quit / have quitted** after arguing with the boss.

**EXERCISE 7 (V2 & WAS/WERE VING&HAD V3& HAD BEEN VING)**

Choose the correct answer.

1. Sharon got really angry when she found out her mother **was reading /had been reading** her private diary for weeks.
2. During the civil rights fights of the 50s and 60s, Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. **emerged / had been emerging** as a national hero.
3. By the time the eruption of Mount Pelee in Martinique ended, 15% of the island's population **were dying / had died**.
4. John **had been walking/ was walking** to school for weeks before his father bought him a bicycle.
5. The police caught the drug dealers in the room where the drug deal **had been taking place /was taking place**.
6. She broke off her engagement to Ted because he **started /had started** drinking too much lately.
7. She **had been stealing/ was stealing** from the company for years and when her friends found out about it, she lost her job.
8. The embassy threw a party for all the athletes that **had been competing /were competing** in the Olympics at that time.
9. She **had been studying/ studied** English for 2 years before she got the job.
10. Scientist Amaeo Avogadro first **distinguished / was distinguishing** molecules from atoms in 1811.
11. By the late eighteenth century, France **had become / became** the undisputed center of the Western art world.
12. I **was installing /had been installing** the new operating system for almost an hour when the electricity went out.
13. The stadium emptied immediately after the game **had ended / was ending**.
14. He went to visit his grandmother in the cancer department of the hospital, but her doctor **sent /had sent** her home.
15. The detectives **had been searching/ were searching** for the murderer for a long time before they arrested him.
16. I **lost/ was losing** my key, but I was able to get in my apartment because I **left /had left** a duplicate with my neighbour.
17. While I was travelling, I met a guy who **was living /had been living** in Israel for more than 2 years after his passport expired.
18. In November 2004, the designers of the first privately manned rocket to fly into space **were receiving /received** a prize of ten million dollars.
19. We **hadn't cleaned/ didn't clean** the room for a long time, and there was dust on everything.

**EXERCISE 8 (V1& AM/IS/ARE VING& HAVE/HAS V3& HAVE/HAS BEEN VING & V2 & WAS WERE VING& HAD V3& HAD BEEN VING)**

Choose the correct answer.

1. I **wasn't paying / hadn't paid** attention while I was writing the letter, so I **made/ was making** several mistakes.
2. The motorcycle **belonged/had belonged** to George for years before Tina **has bought /bought** it.
3. Different students often **had had /have** different education goals, and different learning styles.
4. Education **prepares/ is preparing** young people for future employment, and for contributing more fully to family and community life.
5. The Korean economy **suffered/ had suffered** a serious setback in the mid-1990s.
6. He **became/had become** totally discouraged after he **has failed /failed** his course a second time.
7. How long **had you been studying/ were you studying** Turkish before you moved to Ankara?
8. He was a wonderful guitarist. He **has been playing /had been playing** ever since he was a teenager.
9. He **was desperately looking /is desperately looking** for a duplicate copy of the contract because he has spilt coffee all over the original.
10. He **had been/ has been** a blood donor for over 25 years, but he had to stop giving blood after he **has contracted /contracted** hepatitis while travelling.
11. We **don't use/ didn't use** disposable diapers because they are too wasteful.
12. Too many young girls in our society **have been dieting /are dieting**, they **are all trying/ have all tried** to look like skinny super-models.
13. Johnny **has made/ had been making** extraordinary progress in reading this past year, and **is/ has been** now one of the top students in the class.
14. Global warming **was having /has had** a significant effect on our climate during the last few years.
15. This newest empirical work **had thrown /has thrown** doubt upon previous findings.
16. The dynamically expanding high-tech industry **is fuelling /has been fuelling** the economy of this region for the past decade.
17. Napoleon's defeat at Waterloo **was/ has been** a major turning point in the history of Europe.
18. He **has been/ had been** physically disabled ever since he **broke/ has broken** his back in a car accident.
19. The worst nuclear disaster in United States history **occurred / was occurring** at Three Mile Island in 1979.
20. People in the Netherlands **have been using / used** windmills to drain their land, and keep it dry for over 600 years.



**EXERCISE 9 (V1&AM/IS/ARE GOING TO V0&AM/IS/ARE VING& WILL V0)**

Choose the correct answer. In some questions, both answers may be correct.

1. Betty is in a hurry because she **will meet /is going to meet** her brother at the station at six.
2. We **are having/ have** a staff meeting next Monday and we have informed all members of staff of it.
3. A: Oh, you have left your window open.  
B: Have I? I **go /will go** and shut it.
4. A: What is the problem? There are strange noises in the lift.  
B: I think the lift **breaks down /is going to break down**. Let's get out!
5. Do you think your parents **will divorce / divorce**?
6. We **are getting/ will get** married in June next year! Jerry has even booked a venue.
7. I've been doing this for some time now and I'm confident that sooner or later I **get /will get** my rewards.
8. It **is going to snow/is snowing** before long.
9. I promise I **don't tell /will not tell** him about the surprise party.
10. The movie "Zenith" **will win/ is winning** several awards at the upcoming film festival.
11. I am sure you **have /will have** a lovely time in Italy.
12. I **am going to change/ change** my school. I am not happy here.
13. Mary and Helen can't go with me next Wednesday because they **have/ are having** training then.
14. I estimate that it **is taking /will take** me three more months to finish my thesis.
15. There is too much traffic. We **miss /are going to miss** the train.
16. We have interviews for the new teacher's job on Wednesday. The first one **starts/ is starting** at 9.30 and they **end/ are going to end** at 3.30 - 6 people altogether I think.
17. My wife and I **are celebrating / celebrate** our anniversary this Saturday and I got her a nice blouse as present.
18. Your feeling of emptiness **is going /will go away** with time, and I'm sure you'll meet another girl.
19. I **am spending/ spend** Christmas and New Year with my Mum and Dad this year.
20. She **studies /is going to study** engineering at college next year.

**EXERCISE 10 (WILL V0& WILL BE VING & WILL HAVE V3& WILL HAVE BEEN VING)**

Choose the correct answer. In some questions, both answers may be correct.

1. If you keep on working hard, eventually you **will have been succeeding /will succeed**.
2. Jason will be tired when he gets home because he **will have been jogging/ will jog** for over an hour.
3. At five o'clock, I **will be meeting/ will have been meeting** with the management about my raise.
4. He **will have been studying / will be studying** at the library tonight, so he will not see Jennifer when she arrives.
5. Robert **will undoubtedly pass/ will have undoubtedly passed** the test. He spends an incredible amount of time studying.
6. The famous artist **will be working /will have been working** on the painting for over six months by the time it is finished.
7. He **will eventually take/ will have eventually been taking** control of the company when his father retires.
8. I promise I **will have done/ will be doing** all the work by next Saturday.
9. I doubt Janis **will have been going /will go** to the party; she doesn't like loud music or crowds.
10. I **will be staying/ will have stayed** at the Madison Hotel, if anything happens and you need to contact me.
11. The Moscow State Circus **will have performed /will be performing** in Cheltenham for the next 3 weeks.
12. At midnight tonight, we **will still have been driving /will still be driving** through the desert.
13. I just have two more courses before I graduate from university. By this time next year, I **will have graduated / will have been graduating** and I will be looking for a job.
14. In 5 years' time I **will have finished/ will have been finishing** university and I'll be able to earn some money at last.
15. Due to a slight technical hitch, the concert **will have been starting /will be starting** approximately half an hour late.
16. The children **will have certainly been /will certainly be** disappointed when they find out we can't go to the movie tonight.
17. When I have kids, I **will have helped /will help** my wife change our babies' diapers.
18. By 2008, Adam **will sell /will have been selling** sports equipment for 10 years.
19. The rise in fuel prices **will probably cause / will probably have been causing** an increase in our distribution costs.
20. The original estimate for the railway was around 40 billion. By the time it is actually built in 2030, the cost **will have been rising / will have risen** to five times that amount.

**EXERCISE 11 (TIME CLAUSES)**

Choose the correct answer.

1. Once we **will arrive /have arrived** home, we will be safe.
2. You will be working with Miss Cool again when you **will turn up /turn up** for work tomorrow.
3. I won't download anything from the Internet until I **have read / will read** the copyright.
4. As soon as you **are pushing /have pushed** this button, the door will open.
5. You'll tidy up the house while I **do / did** the shopping.
6. The moment you will **drop /drop** the bomb, it will explode.
7. After I **will finish /have finished** my grammar exercises, I'll go out.
8. They will have eaten dinner by the time we **arrive / will arrive**.
9. If she **does / is doing** well in her exams, she will be going to college in October.
10. We will finish this conversation the moment you **will get /get** back.

TIMES - TEST 1

1. **When you ---- smoking, your risk for cancer ----.**
  - A) gave up / has decreased
  - B) give up / decreases
  - C) will give up / decreases
  - D) had given up / has been decreasing
  
2. **They ---- a fantastic time in Greece on their holidays, and ---- to go back next year.**
  - A) have had / had planned
  - B) are having / planned
  - C) had / are planning
  - D) are having / will plan
  
3. **I ---- a good improvement in Laurie's health since she ---- eating less junk food.**
  - A) noticed / has started
  - B) notice / is starting
  - C) am noticing / is starting
  - D) have noticed / started
  
4. **We ---- to dial your fax machine all morning, but it is always busy.**
  - A) have been trying
  - B) will be trying
  - C) had tried
  - D) will have tried
  
5. **The young child ---- the wrestlers on television when he accidentally ---- his friend's arm.**
  - A) imitated / was breaking
  - B) was imitating / broke
  - C) imitated / broke
  - D) had imitated / had been breaking

6. **Our earliest human ancestors ---- in Africa 2.5 million years ago.**
- A) had appeared
  - B) have appeared
  - C) appeared
  - D) have been appearing
7. **He ---- pretty tired in class today because he ---- all last night.**
- A) was / hadn't slept
  - B) has been / wasn't sleeping
  - C) is / hasn't slept
  - D) had been / didn't sleep
8. **Betty failed the final test because she ---- attending class for weeks on end.**
- A) wasn't
  - B) hasn't been
  - C) isn't
  - D) hadn't been
9. **You ---- an immense amount of homework next year when you start university.**
- A) have had
  - B) will have
  - C) are having
  - D) will have had
10. **We ---- on learning academic vocabulary in this course for the next three months.**
- A) have been focusing
  - B) are focusing
  - C) will be focussing
  - D) were focusing

**11. The children ---- the cakes by the time you ---- the tea.**

- A) will be eating / will bring
- B) are eating / bring
- C) have eaten / brought
- D) will have eaten / bring

**12. Canada ---- federal elections every three or four years.**

- A) has
- B) is having
- C) will have had
- D) had had

**13. Jeremy ---- a lot of trouble handling all the stress at work. He ---- a break.**

- A) was having / has needed
- B) is having / will have been needing
- C) is having / needs
- D) had / had needed

**14. He ---- treatment for cancer about 5 years ago, and  
---- healthy ever since.**

- A) has received / remained
- B) received / has remained
- C) was receiving / remained
- D) had received / had remained

**15. His temperature ---- somewhat all day, but it ---- too high as of yet.**

- A) was fluctuating / didn't go
- B) has been fluctuating / hasn't gone
- C) will be fluctuating / won't go
- D) had fluctuated / isn't going

**16. We ---- along the coast when we ---- a bear.**

- A) were hiking / saw
- B) hiked / saw
- C) hiked / had seen
- D) have hiked / had seen

**17. My teacher ---- ten points from my essay because it ---- too short.**

- A) deducted / was
- B) was deducting / was
- C) has deducted / had been
- D) deducts / is

**18. I ---- my daughter scream, but fortunately it was just because she ---- a spider.**

- A) have heard / has been
- B) am hearing / is
- C) was hearing / has been
- D) heard / had seen

**19. Chef Jones ---- the restaurant's fantastic dinners for two years before he ---- to Paris.**

- A) has been preparing / has moved
- B) prepares / moves
- C) is preparing / will move
- D) had been preparing / moved

**20. It ---- before long.**

- A) was snowing
- B) will have been snowing
- C) is going to snow
- D) is snowing

TIMES - TEST 2

1. You ---- this movie, I guarantee it!

- A) have loved
- B) will be loving
- C) will love
- D) loved

2. The employment forecast ---- good for the coming years because so many baby-boomers ----.

- A) will look / will retire
- B) looks /will be retiring
- C) was looking / have retired
- D) is looking / had been retiring

3. Before he ---- his publisher, Charles ---- four chapters in his new novel.

- A) saw / finishes
- B) had seen / finished
- C) will see / will finish
- D) sees/will have finished

4. 10 years from today, half the jobs available today ---- out of existence and replaced by jobs that ---- today.

- A) will have faded/do not exist
- B) have faded / will not exist
- C) will be fading /have not existed
- D) fade / did not exist

5. I ---- to Europe on February 10th. Please call me before that day. If you call me after February 10, I already ---- to Europe.

- A) am going / will go
- B) go / will be going
- C) will go/will have gone
- D) went / had gone



6. **Many criminals these days ---- sophisticated computer scanners and photocopiers to forge money.**
- A) have used
  - B) will be using
  - C) will have used
  - D) are using
7. **She ---- fantastic in that dress. Every guy at the party ---- at her all night.**
- A) looks / has been staring
  - B) looked / has been staring
  - C) is looking / will have been staring
  - D) was looking / will be staring
8. **I told you to be home by midnight, and you ---- to defy me. I ---- no choice but to punish you.**
- A) have chosen / had
  - B) were choosing / will have
  - C) chose / have
  - D) have been choosing / had had
9. **He ---- ill after eating some mushrooms because they ---- in the fridge for too long.**
- A) was feeling / sat
  - B) felt / had been sitting
  - C) has been feeling / has been sitting
  - D) will feel / had been sitting
10. **The burn ---- in a couple of weeks, but it ---- a scar.**
- A) heals / has probably left
  - B) will heal / will probably leave
  - C) was healing / probably left
  - D) will be healing / will probably have been leaving

**11. By the time the tour ---- over, we ---- all major cities in Europe.**

- A) is/will have seen
- B) was / saw
- C) will be over / will have seen
- D) is over / have seen

**12. Most people ---- some form of depression at some point in their lives.**

- A) experienced
- B) are experiencing
- C) experience
- D) will be experiencing

**13. They ---- near the San Andreas fault, and ---- a number of minor earthquakes over the last few years.**

- A) have been living / had experienced
- B) will be living / experienced
- C) are living / will have experienced
- D) live / have experienced

**14. The teacher ---- to take the excited children back to class after the performance ----.**

- A) was trying / ended
- B) had tried / ended
- C) was trying / was ending
- D) had been trying / had ended

**15. We couldn't believe it when we ---- the final score on the screen. We ----!**

- A) have seen / will really win
- B) saw / had really won
- C) had seen / won
- D) see / will be winning

16. I am sick of rain and bad weather! Hopefully, when we ---- tomorrow morning, the sun ----.

- A) woke up / was shining
- B) wake up / is shining
- C) will wake up / will be shining
- D) wake up / will be shining

17. Each day is 0.0000002 seconds longer than the day before because the earth ---- gradually.

- A) was slowing down
- B) will be slowing down
- C) is slowing down
- D) had slowed down

18. He ---- hunting for an apartment for over 2 weeks, but ---- anything he likes.

- A) had been / hadn't found
- B) has been / hasn't found
- C) was / hasn't found
- D) will be / hasn't found

19. I ---- the car when I accidentally ---- into a telephone pole.

- A) dented / backed
- B) was denting / backed
- C) had dented / backed
- D) had dented / had backed

20. When the light ----, the pizza ---- ready.

- A) is flashing / has been
- B) flashed / had been
- C) was flashing / will be
- D) flashes / will be

TIMES - TEST 3

1. **Children ---- aware of their own gender around the age of three and a half.**
  - A) became
  - B) are becoming
  - C) become
  - D) will be becoming
  
2. **My son ---- fractions in his arithmetic class this week.**
  - A) learns
  - B) had been learning
  - C) will have been learning
  - D) is learning
  
3. **Your marks are so high that you ---- the course. Writing the final exam ---- really just a formality.**
  - A) have already passed / is
  - B) had already passed / will be
  - C) are already passing / was
  - D) will already be passing / has been
  
4. **The terrorists ---- their hostages one by one since 2 o'clock, and ---- to be ready to compromise.**
  - A) are releasing / are appearing
  - B) have been releasing / appear
  - C) have released / have been appearing
  - D) will have released /had appeared
  
5. **The children ---- around the field playing tag when one boy ---- on the wet grass, and broke his arm.**
  - A) had been running / was slipping
  - B) are running / slips
  - C) were running / slipped

- D) will be running / has slipped
6. He ---- on an assembly line in a factory for about a month, but the work was really boring, so he --.
- A) has been working / has quit  
B) had been working / had been quitting  
C) will have been working /is quitting  
D) worked / quit
7. The family stood beside the grave of the old man, and ---- about all the wonderful times they ---- together.
- A) talked / had spent  
B) were talking / have spent  
C) talked / were spending  
D) have been talking / had spent
8. It's hardly worth fixing our car because it is really old and probably ---- again soon anyway.
- A) has broken down  
B) will break down  
C) is breaking down  
D) will have been breaking down
9. Singer Elvis Presley treated his hair so harshly with dyes and styling products that, by the time he ---- forty, it ---- totally white.
- A) is / will have turned  
B) was / had turned  
C) had been / had turned  
D) is / will be turning
10. Education in this country ---- several profound and fundamental changes in recent decades.
- A) has undergone  
B) will undergo  
C) will be undergoing  
D) undergoes

11. I'm very tired today. I ---- to bed early. Please don't call me after 9 pm because I ----.

- A) will go / have been sleeping
- B) am going to go / have slept
- C) am going / will be sleeping
- D) have gone / was sleeping

12. Thousands of refugees ---- the area, and the U.N. is afraid war ---- about to break out.

- A) are fleeing / is
- B) will flee / will be
- C) have been fleeing / has been
- D) have fled / had been

13. When Melanie ---- into the office yesterday, her eyes were red and watery. I think she ----.

- A) had come / was crying
- B) came / had been crying
- C) was coming / has been crying
- D) comes / has cried

14. He ---- to give the police a false name and address when they ---- him for speeding.

- A) had tried / stopped
- B) was trying / stopped
- C) tries / are stopping
- D) tried / stopped

15. I ---- a very important English test tomorrow. I will study hard today and I'm sure before I go to bed I ---- all the verb tenses.

- A) will have / will learn
- B) have / will have learnt
- C) am having / have learnt
- D) am going to have / learn

**16. People ---- frantically from the windows of the burning building when the firefighters ----.**

- A) were screaming/arrived
- B) scream / arrive
- C) are screaming / have arrived
- D) were screaming/ had arrived

**17. Don't leave your stuff unguarded for even a few minutes on the train or someone ---- it for sure.**

- A) steals
- B) stole
- C) will steal
- D) has stolen

**18. We ---- all our energies for the past week on writing this proposal. But, we ---- have a lot to do!**

- A) focused / will still
- B) were focusing / have still had
- C) are focusing / still had
- D) have been focusing /still have

**19. When Sarah ---- on vacation next month, she ---- German for over two years. She will be able to communicate well while in Germany.**

- A) will go / will have studied
- B) went / had studied
- C) goes / will have been studying
- D) goes / will study

**20. A dog's keen sense of smell ---- for his inability to see colors, and ---- him to differentiate between things.**

- A) compensated / enabled
- B) has compensated / is enabling
- C) was compensating / enabled
- D) compensates / enables

**TIMES - TEST 4**

**1. In 1959, engineers ---- huge deposits of oil in Libya's deserts.**

- A) discovered
- B) have discovered
- C) had discovered
- D) have been discovering

**2. Smoke from the factory ---- the air around here for years.**

- A) contaminates
- B) is contaminating
- C) has been contaminating
- D) was contaminating

**3. Caffeine ---- the brain, and artificially --- fatigue.**

- A) is stimulating / reduces
- B) stimulates / reduces
- C) stimulated / has been reducing
- D) will stimulate / reduced

**4. Our final exams ---- in about two weeks.**

- A) have started
- B) will have been starting
- C) had been starting
- D) start

**5. The young woman ----, but all her personal belongings including her passport and diary ---- in her hotel room.**

- A) has disappeared / were still
- B) will disappear / have still been
- C) had disappeared / were still
- D) was disappearing / are still



**6. The submarine ---- a fleet of enemy destroyers when the radars --- it.**

- A) followed / spot
- B) was following / spotted
- C) will be following / will have spotted
- D) is following / spot

**7. Work conditions in the factory ---- significantly since it ---- unionized.**

- A) have improved / became
- B) improve / becomes
- C) will have improved / had become
- D) improved / became

**8. Hundreds of people ---- the area as the lava from the volcano ---- their village.**

- A) are fleeing / approaches
- B) were fleeing / approaches
- C) fled / will be approaching
- D) have been fleeing / had approached

**9. Scientists ---- us that Niagara Falls ---- in 22,800 years due to erosion.**

- A) told / will disappear
- B) tell / will disappear
- C) have told / would disappear
- D) are telling / had disappeared

**10. In November 2004, the designers of the first privately manned rocket to fly into space ---- a prize of ten million dollars.**

- A) were receiving
- B) received
- C) have received
- D) had been receiving

- 11. Frank just changed jobs again. If he ---- this up, he ---- jobs at least four or five times by the end of the year.**
- A) has kept / will have been changing
  - B) had kept / would have changed
  - C) keeps / will have changed
  - D) will keep / will change
- 12. The Japanese Shinkasen, or bullet train, ---- more than two billion passengers since it ---- in 1964, without a single injury or fatality.**
- A) has carried / began
  - B) has been carrying / began
  - C) carried / began
  - D) carries / has begun
- 13. We ---- at your resume, but to be honest, we ---- any additional staff for the immediate future.**
- A) are looking / won't have needed
  - B) looked / hadn't needed
  - C) look / don't need
  - D) have looked / won't be needing
- 14. Scientists ---- for a fuel which will produce energy without polluting the air.**
- A) are looking
  - B) were looking
  - C) looked
  - D) had looked
- 15. By the time he was ready to do something about his alcoholism, he ---- all his dignity, and ---- all the time.**
- A) has lost / had been drinking
  - B) will lose/ will have been drinking
  - C) had lost / was drinking
  - D) lost / is drinking

**16. NASA's twin Voyager spacecraft ---- never -before-seen images of the outer planets for the past two months.**

- A) are taking
- B) have been taking
- C) were taking
- D) will be taking

**17. The governor ---- that he ---- before the forthcoming election.**

- A) announced / will have retired
- B) had announced / is retiring
- C) has announced / will retire
- D) announces / retires

**18. Even decades after his death, movie star John Wayne ---- among America's top five favourite male film stars.**

- A) still ranks
- B) will still rank
- C) will still be ranking
- D) has still been ranking

**19. You ---- your English by the time you ---- back from the U.S.**

- A) perfected / had come
- B) were perfecting / have come
- C) will have been perfecting / came
- D) will have perfected / come

**20. The forest fire ---- fiercely when fire crews ---- to battle the blaze.**

- A) was already burning / arrived
- B) had already burned / had arrived
- C) will already be burning / came
- D) have already burned / have come

## ANSWER KEY

## TIME

EX. 1		EX. 2		EX. 3		EX. 4	
1	aren't dying	1	<b>BOTH CORRECT</b>	1	for	1	crosses / become
2	are building	2	have cancelled	2	Since	2	is planning
3	are you taking	3	Have you seen	3	for	3	Have you seen
4	do	4	<b>BOTH CORRECT</b>	4	Since	4	have discovered
5	earns	5	has always desired	5	since	5	have been experimenting / bought
6	works	6	has decreased	6	for	6	has been making / began
7	is working	7	have arrested	7	since	7	writes / wakes
8	don't drink	8	has declined	8	For	8	has been changing
9	is crying	9	<b>BOTH CORRECT</b>	9	since	9	drinks
10	consists	10	have put	10	since	10	is escalating
11	is working	11	<b>BOTH CORRECT</b>			11	has increased
12	decreases	12	have cost			12	has changed
13	is organizing	13	have arrived			13	has been stealing
14	melts	14	<b>BOTH CORRECT</b>			14	does not supply
15	control	15	has been thinking			15	are worsening
16	is getting	16	have ever seen			16	is planning
17	are studying	17	<b>BOTH CORRECT</b>			17	have
18	throw	18	have been reading			18	have been complaining/ haven't changed
19	have / don't have	19	have been cleaning			19	is considering/ hasn't made
		20	have ever met			20	has increased

EX. 5		EX. 6		EX. 7		EX. 8	
1	was travelling/ saw	1	has been increasing	1	had been reading	1	wasn't paying / made
2	was discussing/ came	2	were	2	emerged	2	had belonged / bought
3	evolved	3	continues	3	had died	3	have
4	was inspecting/ occurred	4	do not engage	4	had been walking	4	prepares
5	encountered/ were travelling	5	isn't getting	5	was taking place	5	suffered
6	gave/ was writing	6	was/ watered	6	had started	6	became/ failed
7	had	7	is doing	7	had been stealing	7	had you been studying
8	had	8	is	8	were competing	8	had been playing
9	declared	9	has been	9	had been studying	9	is desperately looking
10	were looking/ arrived	10	was wearing	10	distinguished	10	had been/ contracted
11	developed	11	fed/ was diving	11	had become	11	don't use
12	did you two do	12	have escalated	12	had been installing	12	are dieting/ are all trying
13	collapsed/ were trying	13	drowned	13	had ended	13	has made/ is
14	pushed	14	had	14	had sent	14	has had
15	visited	15	remains	15	had been searching	15	has thrown
16	called/ saw	16	went/ decreased	16	lost/ had left	16	has been fuelling
17	caught/ was working	17	established	17	had been living	17	was
18	suffered	18	is getting	18	received	18	has been/ broke
19	occurred	19	have been visiting	19	hadn't cleaned	19	occurred
20	divided	20	has been/ quit			20	have been using

EX. 9		EX. 10		EX. 11		TEST. 1		TEST. 2		TEST. 3		TEST. 4	
1	<b>BOTH CORRECT</b>	1	will succeed	1	have arrived	1	B	1	C	1	C	1	A
2	<b>BOTH CORRECT</b>	2	will have been jogging	2	turn up	2	C	2	B	2	D	2	C
3	will go	3	will be meeting	3	have read	3	D	3	D	3	A	3	B
4	is going to break down	4	will be studying	4	push	4	A	4	A	4	B	4	D
5	will divorce	5	will undoubtedly pass	5	do	5	B	5	C	5	C	5	C
6	<b>BOTH CORRECT</b>	6	will have been working	6	drop	6	C	6	D	6	D	6	B
7	will get	7	will eventually take	7	have finished	7	A	7	A	7	A	7	A
8	is going to snow	8	will have done	8	arrive	8	D	8	C	8	B	8	A
9	will not tell	9	will go	9	does	9	B	9	B	9	B	9	B
10	will win	10	will be staying	10	get	10	C	10	B	10	A	10	B
11	will have	11	will be performing	11		11	D	11	A	11	C	11	C
12	am going to change	12	will still be driving	12		12	A	12	C	12	A	12	A
13	have	13	will have graduated	13		13	C	13	D	13	B	13	D
14	will take	14	will have finished	14		14	B	14	A	14	D	14	A
15	are going to miss	15	will be starting	15		15	B	15	B	15	B	15	C
16	starts/end	16	will certainly be	16		16	A	16	D	16	A	16	B
17	are celebrating	17	will help	17		17	A	17	C	17	C	17	C
18	will go away	18	will have been selling	18		18	D	18	B	18	D	18	A
19	am spending	19	will probably cause	19		19	D	19	A	19	C	19	D
20	is going to study	20	will have risen	20		20	C	20	D	20	D	20	A