

Choose the most appropriate answer.

1. He \_\_\_\_\_ a new car last month, but he doesn't really like it.  
bought  
was buying  
had bought  
had been buying

2. I burned my finger while I \_\_\_\_\_ breakfast.  
was cooking  
had cooked  
had been cooking

3. By the time I came back, Mike and Jane \_\_\_\_\_, so I couldn't tell them about it.  
were already leaving  
had already left  
had already been leaving

4. He \_\_\_\_\_ for twenty years when he finally quit smoking.  
smoked  
was smoking  
had been smoking

5. I \_\_\_\_\_ you yesterday because my telephone was out of order.  
didn't call  
hadn't called  
hadn't been calling

6. He was waiting for his bus at the bus stop when the robbers \_\_\_\_\_ him.  
attacked  
were attacking  
had attacked  
had been attacking

7. I wanted to ask my son for help, but I saw that he \_\_\_\_\_, and I decided not to wake him up.  
slept  
was sleeping  
had slept  
had been sleeping

8. Yesterday I went to an interesting museum that I \_\_\_\_\_ before.  
didn't visit  
wasn't visiting  
hadn't visited

9. By the time we arrived, she \_\_\_\_\_ for us at the train station for three hours.  
waited  
was waiting  
had been waiting

10. Christopher Columbus \_\_\_\_\_ America in 1492.  
discovered  
was discovering  
had discovered  
had been discovering

