TASK 3

Key word sentence transformation: TENSES

Compete the second sentence so that it means the same as the first one. Use between 2 and 5 words and the Word given. Do not change the given word.

1. Marcus started learning French two years ago.
learning
Marcus has_____ two years.

2. Harry isn't here. He went to lunch twenty minutes ago.
gone
Harry isn't here. He_____ lunch.

3. Do you own that stereo?
yours
Is _____?

4. Look at how black the sky is! There is rain arriving.
going
Look at how black the sky is! It _____

5. The last time John came to my house was in 1999.
since
John hasn't _____ 1999.

6. No dinner for me, thanks. I ate half an hour ago.
already
Thanks, but I _____

7. I haven't been swimming for nearly a year.
last
The _____ was nearly a year ago.

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8. I think we will arrive at 7pm if the weather remains good.
should
We_____ if the weather remains good.

9. This is the first time I have ever drunk rum.
never
I _____ rum before.

10. The bank closed before I arrived.
already
When I got to the bank, it_____.

11. He locked the door to prevent the prisoner escaping.
so
He locked the door_____ escape.

12. How long have you had your new car?
get
When_____ your new car?

13. Is this your first time driving a Volvo?
ever
Have_____ before?

14. Leave the shop or I will call the police.
unless
I'll call the police_____.

15. Jane dyed her hair orange two months ago and it has been that color ever since.
for
Jane's hair_____ two months.

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16. During the film on TV, the phone rang.
was
While I_____ ,the phone rang.

17. Do you have any plans for next Wednesday evening?
doing
What_____ next Wednesday evening?

18. I visited Paris with the idea of improving my French.
to
I visited Paris_____

19. I didn't answer the phone, even though I knew it was my husband calling.
despite
I didn't answer the phone_____ husband.

20. The weather was beautiful but we never went on the picnic.
of
We never went on the picnic_____ weather.

21. I am sure it will snow tomorrow.
bound
It_____ tomorrow.

22. Kate is a teacher
as
Kate_____ teacher.

23. Despite looking everywhere, he never found his wallet.
although
He didn't find_____ everywhere.

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24. Mrs Patterson would sit on that old rocking chair for hours telling us stories from her childhood.

used

Mrs Patterson_____ old rocking chair for hours telling us stories from her childhood.

25. They couldn't open the ambulance doors. Mr. Bean parked behind it.

because

They couldn't open the ambulance doors _____ behind it.

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