

..... (wait) for over an hour for a train to go by when suddenly he (10) (see) a very old steam train coming down the track. It (11) (not/stop) at the station and, as it passed, Kevin noticed that all the passengers (12) (wear) old-fashioned clothes. When he told the station guard about this, the poor man turned pale. He said that no steam train (13) (pass) through that station for years, and that the last one (14) (crash), killing everyone on board.

27. Put the verbs in brackets into Past S., Past Pert., Past Cont. or Past Perf. Cont.

Sally Deedes (1)*was walking*.....(walk) home late one night. She (2)(be) to a dinner party at her friend's house. The city streets (3)(be) empty and it (4)(rain) slightly. She (5)(look forward) to getting safely home to bed because at dinner her friends (6) (talk) about a dangerous murderer who (7) (escape) from prison the week before. Her friend Mark (8) (offer) to walk home with her but, as she (9) (live) only a mile away, she (10) (tell) him that she would be OK. She was about halfway home when she (11) (hear) footsteps behind her. She (12) (stop) and (13) (turn) around, but she couldn't see anyone and the footsteps (14) (stop) as well. When she continued on her way the footsteps (15)(start) again.

She (16)(begin) to feel afraid. She started to run. The footsteps (17) (get) closer. Suddenly she (18) (feel) a hand on her shoulder and she (19) (scream) in terror. "Sally! Sally! It's me, Mark." He tried to explain that he (20)(be) worried about her and (21) (decide) to follow her home. But Sally (22) (can/not) hear a word because she (23) (already/faint).

28. Choose the correct item.

John Jones is a 45 (1).....*year*.....(years/years'/year) -old antique dealer. He studied History of Art (2) (in/at/on) university and (3) (has collected/has been collecting/collected) things since he was a child. He loves (4) (buying/buy/have bought) antiques and (5) (found/had found/has found) some good bargains so far. The only problem is that he finds it (6) (such/too/enough) hard to sell the things he has bought (7) (if/because/while) he likes them all. One day last week he came (8) (into/across/at) the most beautiful antique wooden trunk he had (9)

(already/ever/never) seen. As he was (10) (in/on/at) a hurry he told his driver to (11) (fetch/bring/take) the trunk to his shop. When the driver (12) (arrived/ reached/got) the shop, he (13) (needn't/couldn't/mustn't) find a place to put the trunk so he left it by the front door. (14) (At/In/By) that moment an old man came (15) (into/at/by) the shop to (16) (spot/look/search) around. When he saw the trunk, he asked for (17) (it's/each/its) price. It was just then (18) (before/that/when) the door opened and a furious lady (19) (broke into/entered/got) the shop. "Don't touch that trunk!" she screamed. "It belongs (20) (in/to/at) me."

29. Put the verbs in brackets into Present Simple or Future.

"You (1) *Il meet* (meet) Agent 205 under the clock at the railway station. When she (2) (arrive), she (3) (give) you an envelope. I don't know if you (4) (recognise) her in her disguise, but if she (5) (not/say) the secret code word, you (6) (know) she is an enemy agent. You (7) (take) the envelope and head for the train to Waterloo Station. When the train (8) (come), you (9) (get on) it and go to Waterloo. If you (10) (miss) the 9.15 train, you (11) (have to) get the next one. As soon as it (12) (reach) Waterloo, leave the train and take a taxi to the Opera House. You (13) (meet) Jenny there, although I'm not sure exactly when she (14) (get) there. Give her the envelope. Wait until she (15) (drive) off and then go home. We (16) (call) you there. Are there any questions?"

30. Put each verb in brackets into a suitable verb form.

At the dentist's

I was on time for my dentist's appointment, but the dentist was still busy with another patient, so I (1) *sai* (sit) in the waiting room and (2) (read) some of the old magazines lying there. While I (3) (wonder) whether to leave and come back another day, I (4) (notice) a magazine article about teeth. It (5) (begin): 'How long is it since you last (6) (go) to the dentist? (7) (you go) regularly every six months? Or (8) (you put off) your visit for the last six years?' Next to the article was a cartoon of a man in a dentist's chair.

The dentist (9) (say): 'I'm afraid this (10) (hurt).' I (11) (suddenly realise) that my tooth (12) (stop) aching. But just as I (13) (open) the door to leave, the

dentist's door (14)..... (open). 'Next please,' he (15)..... (call), as the previous patient (16) (push) past me. 'Actually I'm not here to see you, I (17)..... (wait) for my friend,' I (18)..... (shout), leaving as rapidly as I could. (19)..... (you ever do) this kind of thing? Surely I can't be the only person who (20)..... (hate) the dentist!

31. Decide which answer (A, B, C or D) best fits each space.

The latest news

Dear Linda,

I'm sorry I (1).....*B*.....to you for so long, but I (2)..... very busy lately. All last month I (3)..... exams, and I (4)..... anything else but study for ages. Anyway, (5)..... studying now, and I (6)for my exam results.

As you can see from this letter, I (7)..... my address and (8)..... in Croydon now. I (9)..... that I wanted a change from central London because it (10)..... so expensive. A friend of mine (11)..... me about this flat, and I (12)..... here about two months ago. When you (13)..... to London this summer, please visit me. I (14)..... here until the middle of August. Then I (15) on holiday to Scotland.

Please write soon,

Margaret

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| 1. A. don't write | B. haven't written |
| C. am not writing | D. wasn't writing |
| 2. A. was being | B. had been |
| C. am | D. have been |
| 3. A. had | B. was having |
| C. had had | D. have had |
| 4. A. haven't done | B. don't do |
| C. wasn't doing | D. am not doing |
| 5. A. stop | B. will have stopped |
| C. have stopped | D. was stopping |
| 6. A. wait | B. am waiting |
| C. have waited | D. was waiting |
| 7. A. am changing | B. had changed |
| C. will change | D. have changed |
| 8. A. will live | B. have been living |
| C. live | D. have lived |