

TENSES + PRACTICE

Ex1. Choose the best answer among A, B, C or D to complete each sentence.

1. He was writing to his friend when he _____ a noise.
A. was hearing B. heard C. had heard D. hears
2. I _____ many people since I came here in June.
A. met B. has met C. was meeting D. have met
3. We _____ maths at this time last week.
A. were learning B. are learning C. was learning D. learnt
4. She was playing games while he _____ a football match.
A. watched B. watches C. was watching D. watching
5. _____ he playing football now?
A. Will B. Does C. Was D. Is
6. Every morning, I often sit in my garden and _____ to my nightingale sing.
A. listening B. listen C. listened D. listens
7. She _____ school when she was six.
A. start B. started C. has started D. are starting
8. I. _____ TV when the telephone rang.
A. watched B. was watching C. are watching D. have watched
9. A: You're just missed the last train!
B: Never mind, I _____.
A. will walk B. will be walking C. walk D. will have walked
10. Clare _____ five years old next month.
A. is going to be B. will be C. will have been D. is

Ex2. Choose the underlined part among A, B, C or D that needs correcting.

1. When I walk past the park, I saw some children play football.
A B C D
2. After John eaten dinner, he wrote several letters and went to bed.
A B C D
3. What did you do at 9 o'clock last night? I phoned you but nobody answered.
A B C D
4. When I arrived at the station, the train has already left.
A B C D
5. Ann and Susan have known each other during they were at school.
A B C D
6. She has disappeared three days ago, and they are still looking for her now.
A B C D
7. After Mrs. Wang had returned to her house from work, she was cooking dinner
A B C D
8. It's the first time I saw this film
A B C D
9. After he graduates from university, he joined the army.
A B C D
10. Up to now, there had been no woman being chosen the US president.
A B C D

Ex3. Mark the letter A, B, C or D to indicate the sentences which is closest in meaning to the given one.

1. They last visited me five years ago.
 - A. They haven't visited me for a long time.
 - B. They have known me for five years.
 - C. I haven't been visited for a long time.
 - D. They haven't visited me for five years.
2. Mike turned off the light, then he went to bed.
 - A. Before Mike went to bed, he had turned off the light.
 - B. Before Mike turned off the light, he had gone to bed.
 - C. After Mike had gone to bed, he turned off the light.
 - D. Mike turned off the light as soon as he had gone to bed.
3. I haven't visited the museum for three months.
 - A. It is three months since I have visited the museum.
 - B. I didn't visit the museum three months ago.
 - C. The last time I had visited the museum was three months ago.
 - D. It is three months since I visited the museum.
4. "John began playing the piano 10 years ago"
 - A. John played the piano 10 years ago.
 - B. John has played the piano for 10 years.
 - C. John used to play the piano 10 years ago.
 - D. John doesn't play the piano anymore
5. The last time I saw her was a week ago. .
 - A. I haven't seen her for a week.
 - B. I have seen her for a week.
 - C. I haven't seen her since a week.
 - D. I have seen her since a week.
6. I haven't enjoyed myself so much for years.
 - A. It's years since I enjoyed myself so much.
 - B. It's years since I have enjoyed myself so much.
 - C. It was years since I had enjoyed myself so much.
 - D. It has been years since I have enjoyed myself so much.
7. It's a long time since we last went to the cinema.
 - A. We have been to the cinema for a long time.
 - B. We haven't been to the cinema for a long time.
 - C. We don't go to the cinema as we used to.
 - D. We wish we went to the cinema now.
8. The last time I saw Rose was three years ago.
 - A. I didn't see Rose for three years.
 - B. I haven't seen Rose three years ago.
 - C. I haven't seen Rose since three years.
 - D. I haven't seen Rose for three years
9. My father hasn't smoked cigarettes for a month.
 - A. It's a month since my father last smoked cigarettes.
 - B. It's a month ago that my father smoked cigarettes.
 - C. It's a month that my father hasn't smoked cigarettes.

- D. It's a cigarette that my father smoked a month ago.
10. Mr. Brown bought this car five years ago.
- A. Mr. Brown started to buy this car five years ago
 - B. Mr. Brown has had this car for five years.
 - C. It has been five years when Mr. Brown bought this car
 - D. It is five years ago since Mr. Brown bought this car.