



Mastering Stative and Active Verbs: A Grammar Challenge



Questions 1–10: Sensory and Cognitive States

Supporting Detail: Focus on verbs like taste, understand, look, sleep, think, weigh, own, feel, and hear.

- Q1. Right now, the chef _____ the soup to see if it needs more salt.
- A) tastes
B) is tasting
C) has tasted
D) was tasting



- Q2. I _____ what you mean, but I still don't agree with your decision.
- A) am understanding
B) understand
C) understood
D) have been understanding

- Q3. Which of the following sentences is grammatically INCORRECT?
- A) My brother owns two sports cars.
B) This perfume smells like fresh roses.
C) I am believing that honesty is the best policy.
D) She is listening to her favorite song.



- Q4. Why are you _____ at that old photograph? Do you recognize anyone?
- A) looking
B) seeing
C) looks
D) sees

- Q5. Be quiet! The baby _____ soundly in the crib.
- A) sleeps
B) is sleeping
C) slept
D) has slept



- Q6. "What _____ about?" - "I'm trying to decide what to wear for the party."
- A) do you think
B) are you thinking
C) have you thought
D) did you think

- Q7. This heavy suitcase _____ more than 25 kilograms.
- A) is weighing
B) weighs
C) weigh
D) has been weighing



- Q8. Identify the ERROR: "Even though the weather (A) is very cold today, we (B) are having a wonderful time because we (D) are owning a good heater."
- A) the weather is
B) we are having
C) because
D) are owning

- Q9. Right now, I _____ that we should focus on finishing the project first.
- A) feel
B) am feeling
C) felt
D) have felt

- Q10. The teacher _____ the students who are talking at the back of the classroom.
- A) is hearing
B) hears
C) is listening to
D) listen to

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Questions 11–20: Dynamic Usage and Complex Error Analysis

Supporting Detail: Advanced application involving verbs like see (meet), smell, prefer, appear, have, and feature.

- Q11. I _____ with the manager tomorrow afternoon to discuss the new project.
- A) see
B) am seeing
C) am seen
D) have seen



- Q15. The new smartphone _____ a sleek design and a high-resolution camera.
- A) is featuring
B) features
C) is featured
D) feature



- Q12. "Why are you sniffing the milk?" - "It _____ sour. I think it has gone bad."
- A) smells
B) is smelling
C) smelled
D) has been smelling



- Q16. Identify the ERROR: "The security guard (A) is looking (B) suspicious at the stranger who (C) is standing (D) near the entrance."
- A) is looking
B) at
C) is standing
D) the entrance

- Q17. Look at the chef! He _____ the steak on the scale to check its exact weight.
- A) weighs
B) is weighing
C) has weighed
D) was weighing



- Q13. Which of the following sentences is grammatically CORRECT?
- A) Right now, I am preferring iced coffee to hot tea.
B) The dynamic teacher is appearing to be very energetic today.
C) She has been belonging to this exclusive gym club for five years.
D) The lawyer is having a private meeting with his client at the moment.

- Q14. "Can you help me with this math problem?" - "Hold on, I _____ about it right now."
- A) think
B) am thinking
C) have thought
D) thought



- Q18. I _____ to love classical music, but now I find it quite relaxing.
- A) am not used
B) wasn't hating
C) didn't use
D) used to hate

- Q19. Which labeled part is INCORRECT? "The manager (A) is weighing the pros and cons.. but he still (B) is doubting that the plan (C) will work (D) because of the high budget."
- A) is weighing
B) is doubting
C) will work
D) because

- Q20. The roses in the garden _____ beautifully this spring, thanks to the organic fertilizer.
- A) are looking
B) look
C) looks
D) have been looking

