

# PRACTICE EXERCISES

## VERB TENSE REVISION 1

1. When I last saw him, he \_\_\_\_\_ in London.  
A. has lived                      B. is living                      C. was living                      D. has been living
2. We \_\_\_\_\_ Dorothy since last Saturday.  
A. don't see                      B. haven't seen                      C. didn't see                      D. hadn't seen
3. The train \_\_\_\_\_ half an hour ago.  
A. has been leaving                      B. left                      C. has left                      D. had left
4. My sister \_\_\_\_\_ for you since yesterday.  
A. is looking                      B. was looking                      C. has been looking                      D. looked
5. Christopher Columbus \_\_\_\_\_ American more than 500 years ago.  
A. discovered                      B. has discovered  
C. had discovered                      D. had been discovering
6. He fell down when he \_\_\_\_\_ towards the church.  
A. run                      B. runs                      C. was running                      D. had run
7. I'll come and see you before I \_\_\_\_\_ for the States.  
A. leave                      B. will leave                      C. have left                      D. shall leave
8. John \_\_\_\_\_ a book when I saw him.  
A. is reading                      B. read                      C. was reading                      D. reading
9. Her brother \_\_\_\_\_ in Canada at present.  
A. working                      B. works                      C. is working                      D. work
10. I \_\_\_\_\_ to the same barber since last year.  
A. am going                      B. have been going                      C. go                      D. had gone
11. Her father \_\_\_\_\_ when she was a small girl.  
A. dies                      B. died                      C. has died                      D. had died
12. Almost everyone \_\_\_\_\_ for home by the time we arrived.  
A. leave                      B. left                      C. leaves                      D. had left
13. I couldn't cut the grass because the lawn mower \_\_\_\_\_ a few days previously.  
A. broke down                      B. has been broken                      C. had broken down                      D. breaks down
14. Since \_\_\_\_\_, I have heard nothing from him.  
A. he had left                      B. he left                      C. he has left                      D. he was left
15. After I \_\_\_\_\_ lunch, I looked for my bag.  
A. had                      B. had had                      C. have has                      D. have had
16. By the end of next year, George \_\_\_\_\_ English for two years.  
A. will have learned                      B. will learn                      C. has learned                      D. would learn
17. Henry \_\_\_\_\_ into the restaurant when the writer was having dinner.

A. was going                      B. went                      C. has gone                      D. did go

18. He will take the dog out for a walk as soon as he \_\_\_\_\_ dinner.

A. finish                      B. finishes                      C. will finish                      D. finishing

19. I \_\_\_\_\_ from him since he \_\_\_\_\_ two years ago.

A. hadn't heard; disappeared                      B. haven't heard; disappeared

C. didn't hear; has disappeared                      D. will not hear; disappears

20. After the guests \_\_\_\_\_, she \_\_\_\_\_ back into the living-room and \_\_\_\_\_ off the light.

A. left; went; turned                      B. had left; had gone; turned

C. have left; will go; turned                      D. had left; went; turned

21. By the time you finish cooking they \_\_\_\_\_ their homework.

A. will have finished                      B. will finish                      C. had finished                      D. have finished

22. I will tell John about it \_\_\_\_\_.

A. when I will see him this afternoon.                      B. when I see him this afternoon.

C. when I saw him this afternoon.                      D. after I had seen him this afternoon.

23. I have heard nothing from him since he \_\_\_\_\_ school.

A. had left                      B. left                      C. has left                      D. leaves

24. He fell down while he \_\_\_\_\_ towards the church.

A. run                      B. runs                      C. was running                      D. had run

25. Bill's mother won't let him go out with his friends \_\_\_\_\_.

A. when he finished his homework                      B. after he had finished his homework

C. once he finished his homework                      D. until he has finished his homework

26. Her academic performance has greatly improved since she her study \_\_\_\_\_ methods.

A. will change                      B. changed                      C. was changing                      D. would change

27. You may not see how important your family is \_\_\_\_\_.

A. after you had lived far from home                      B. when you were living far from home

C. until you live far from home                      D. as soon as you lived far from home

28. The city has changed a lot since I last \_\_\_\_\_ it.

A. visited                      B. would visit                      C. will visit                      D. visit

29. He will take the dog out for a walk \_\_\_\_\_.

A. as soon as he finished dinner                      B. as soon as he will finish

C. as soon as he has finished                      B. as soon as he was finishing

30. Ask her to come and see me \_\_\_\_\_.

A. when she finished her work                      B. when she has finished her work

C. after she had finished her work                      D. as soon as she was finishing her work.