

GRAMMAR EXERCISES – Part 1

Exercise 1: Choose the best answer.

1. _____ for twelve hours, I felt marvelous.
- A. Having slept
B. Have slept
C. Having been slept
D. Have been slept
2. By the time their baby arrives, the Smiths hope _____ painting and decorating the new nursery.
- A. having finished
B. to have finished
C. having been finished
D. to have been finished
3. She's angry about _____ to the farewell party last night
- A. not having invited
B. not to have invited
C. not having been invited
D. not to have been invited
4. We decided not to travel, _____ about a plane crash.
- A. having heard
B. to have heard
C. having been heard
D. to have been heard
5. I'd love _____ to the party, but it was impossible.
- A. having gone
B. to have gone
C. having been gone
D. to have been gone
6. I don't recall _____ him at the conference.
- A. having seen
B. to have seen
C. having been seen
D. to have been seen
7. _____ in dark colors, the room needed some bright lights.
- A. Having painted
B. To have painted
C. Having been painted
D. To have been painted
8. The stockbroker denied _____ of the secret business deal.
- A. having informed
B. to have informed
C. having been informed
D. to have been informed
9. They now regret _____ their son by providing too many material possessions.
- A. having spoiled
B. to have spoiled
C. having been spoiled
D. to have been spoiled
10. _____ to the party, we could hardly refuse to go.
- A. Having invited
B. To have invited
C. Having been invited
D. To have been invited
11. Tom made a bad mistake at work, but his boss didn't fire him. He's lucky _____ a second chance.
- A. having given
B. to have given
C. having been given
D. to have been given
12. Are you sure you told me? I don't recall _____ about it.
- A. having told
B. to have told
C. having been told
D. to have been told

Exercise 2: Rewrite the sentences beginning with an appropriate participle (present, past or perfect).

1. When she saw the dog coming towards her, she quickly crossed the road.
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2. If it is looked after carefully, the plant can live through the winter.
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3. As I don't have a credit card, I found it difficult to book an airline ticket over the phone.
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4. Jim spent a lot of time filling in job application forms because he was unemployed.
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5. Because I was walking quickly, I soon caught up with her.
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6. The house was built of wood, so it was clearly a fire risk.
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7. I was eager to catch the bus in good time because I had been told off the day before for arriving late.
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8. She didn't know where the theater was, so she asked for directions at the hotel reception.
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9. As she was a nurse, she knew what to do after the accident.
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10. He had spent his childhood in Hue City so he knew the city well.
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11. The fruit was expensive because it was imported.
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12. We had spent nearly all our money so we couldn't afford to stay at a hotel.
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13. As we didn't want to offend him, we said nothing about his paintings.
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14. Although James is known mainly as a writer of novel, he has now written a successful biography.
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15. Although it had been hunted close to extinction, the rhino is once again common in this area.
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