

WRITING:

{No1: tenses} Rewriting the sentences without changing the meaning:

1. *He started to play the piano 5 years ago.*

➤ **He has been** _____

2. *I and David tried to ring each other at the same time.*

➤ **While I** _____

3. *I used to be a student at Oxford University from 2000 to 2004.*

➤ **I studied** _____

4. *Mary made a sandwich and then sat on the sofa to watch TV.*

➤ **Before** _____

5. *My aunt has been teaching English for 40 years ago.*

➤ **My aunt** _____

6. *After walking for three hours, we reached the top of the hill.*

➤ **After we** _____

7. *She hasn't seen her mother since she left for Paris.*

➤ **She last** _____

8. *She hasn't spoken Japanese before.*

➤ **It is** _____

9. *I went over over my lesson and then went to school.*

➤ **Before** _____

10. *Before he watched TV he had done all his exercises.*

➤ **After** _____

11. *During his test at school, mobile phone rang*

➤ **While** _____

12. *In the middle of our sleep, a burgalar broke in our house.*

➤ **While** _____

13. *He came in the middle of our dinner.*

➤ **While** _____

14. *It's years since we decorated the room.*

➤ **We have** _____

15. *Before my mother came home, my father had watered all the plants in the garden.*

➤ *By the time* _____