

UNIT 5 INVENTIONS

PART iii. Grammar 1

Give the correct form of the verbs in brackets.

1. Sarah (collect) plenty of information for the assignment recently.
2. The lives of Vietnamese farmers (change) dramatically since the invention of the harvesting machine.
3. He (teach) English in this university for 3 years.
4. That university (not hold) any seminars since September.
5. His father-in-law (do) research since last year.
6. My classmates and I (just/receive) the results of our recent exams.
7. I (read) all the books on the reading list today, so I have the notes now.
8. This is the longest essay that I (ever/have) to write.
9. you (complete) your assignment yet?
10. I realize that I (not spend) much time away from home up to now, but am keen to become more independent.

Find and correct mistakes in the following sentences.

1. A pair (A) of compasses are (B) used for(C) draw (D) circles.
2. He has just bought(A) a (B) pencil case to held (C) his pens and (D) pencils.
3. A (A) correction pen is used for cover (B) writing (C) mistakes(D).
4. British women overtake (A) British men in (B) Internet usage(C) since(D) 2005.
5. How did your life change (A) over(B) the (C) past ten years (D)?
6. People's lives (A) have changed (B) a lot thanks to (C) the invents (D) of these devices.
7. The (A) first act (B) robot was invented (C) in (D)1961.
8. The first fully operational telegraph (A) ran from 1839 between Paddington (B) and West Drayton railway station (C) in London, but at first it was slow to catch on (D).
9. Carbon fibre is one of many inventions (A) developed by military (B) that are incredibly (C) useful for us all (D) .
10. Invention of penicillin is credited to (A) Scottish scientist Alexander Fleming in 1928, when (B) he

discovered that certain (C) mold could kill bacterias (D).

Put the verbs into the suitable form, the present perfect or the present perfect progressive.

1. A: How long _____ (you/ study) English?

B: I _____ (learn) English since I was twelve.

2. A: Are you waiting for someone?

B: Yes, I _____ (wait) for two hours, but my friend _____ (not come) yet.

3. A: I _____ (lose) my address book. _____ (you/ see) it anywhere?

B: Yes. I _____ (just/ see) it on the bookshelf.

4. A: You look tired. _____ (you/ work) so hard?

B: Yes. I _____ (study) for four hours and probably won't finish until midnight.

5. A: _____ (you/ see) Mark recently?

B: No, I _____ (not/ see) him since Christmas, I wonder where he _____ (live) since then.

6. A: I feel really tired.

B: It's because you _____ (do) too much. Well, at least I _____ (finish) that report now, and I can relax.

7. A: Someone _____ (leave) the ladder outside, look.

B: I expect that's Mike. He _____ (clean) the windows. I don't think he _____ (finish) yet.

8. A: You've got mud on your shoes.

B: It's all right, I'll take them off. I _____ (work) in the garden. A: Yes, it looks a lot tidier. Well done. You _____ (do) a good job.

9. A: I _____ (hear) that you and Harriet are building a garage.

How long _____ (you/ do) that?

B: Oh, for about a month now. We _____ (do) about half of it

10. A: You're still reading that book, aren't you? How long _____ (you/ read) it? B: I _____ (read) it for three days, but I _____ (not/ finish) it yet

Put the verbs in brackets in the correct form: past simple or present perfect.

1. I _____ (have) this shirt for nearly four years.

2. Joanna _____ (tidy) her desk, but now it's in a mess again.

3. Mike _____ (lose) his key. He can't find it anywhere.

4. The last time I _____ (go) to Brighton was in August.

5. I _____ (finish) my homework. I _____ (do) it before tea.
6. And the race is over! And Micky Simpson _____ (win) in a record time!
7. Martin _____ (be) to Greece five times. He loves the place.
8. Of course I can ride a bike. But I _____ (not/ ride) one for years.
9. I don't know. Carol's husband. I _____ (never/ meet) him.
10. Rupert _____ (leave) a message for you. He _____ (ring) last night.
11. Mr Clack _____ (work) in a bank for 15 years. Then he gave it up.
12. Is this the first time you _____ (cook) pasta?
13. I _____ (work) for a computer company since I _____ (graduate) from university.
14. We _____ (post) the parcel three weeks ago. If you _____ (not/ receive).
15. Albert Einstein _____ (be) the scientist who _____ (develop) the _____ theory of relativity.

