

## PAST SIMPLE AND PAST PERFECT

1. Mr. Brown \_\_\_\_\_ for the day when the phone call came.  
A. has already left      B. already leaves      C. already lef      D. had already left
2. Ms. Hoa \_\_\_\_\_ the package when she discovered the address was wrong.  
A. had mailed      B. has mailed      C. will mail      D. would mail
3. We \_\_\_\_\_ in the sitting-room for hours when he finally came home.  
A. had been sitting      B. have sat      C. will be sitting      D. sat
4. Before the cancellation letter arrived, they \_\_\_\_\_ the goods.  
A. send      B. had sent      C. have sent      D. had been sending
5. The accident happened when one of the workers \_\_\_\_\_ the chemical tank.  
A. was cleaning      B. were cleaning      C. cleaned      D. had been cleaning
6. When I left the office, the building was empty because everyone \_\_\_\_\_.  
A. was leaving      B. had been leaving      C. were leaving      D. had left
7. When the company went public, Mr. Smith \_\_\_\_\_ it for four years.  
A. is running      B. was running      C. had been running      D. ran
8. She fainted because she \_\_\_\_\_ for 10 miles without a rest.  
A. run      B. had been running      C. was running      D. had run
9. Mr. Hung \_\_\_\_\_ a trip to the islands until he realized it was hurricane season.  
A. planned      B. has planned      C. had planned      D. had been planning
10. Last night I had dinner with the Browns, who \_\_\_\_\_ for Sonny for a couple of years in the 90s, and then over here to set up his own business.  
A. was working / was coming      B. was working / came  
C. worked / came      D. worked / was coming
11. When I arrived at this house, he \_\_\_\_\_.  
A. slept      B. sleep      C. is sleeping      D. was sleeping
12. Two weeks ago, Mr. John \_\_\_\_\_ his reservations.  
A. makes      B. was made      C. made      D. has made
13. When I called on her, Mary \_\_\_\_\_ her room.  
A. clean      B. cleans      C. cleaning      D. was cleaning

14. Sahar and her husband \_\_\_\_\_ the movies last Saturday.  
A. was going      B. went to      C. they went      D. went they to

15. The oil price \_\_\_\_\_ last month.  
A. was falling      B. had been fallen      C. fell      D. felt

16. Mr. Han \_\_\_\_\_ his bags when he found out his flight was canceled.  
A. packed      B. were packing      C. was packing      D. has packed

17. Going on a business trip last month \_\_\_\_\_ a lot of fun.  
A. were      B. was      C. are      D. is

18. Before she died, the old woman \_\_\_\_\_ to take a walk with her husband daily.  
A. used      B. ought      C. might      D. should

19. The president \_\_\_\_\_ a large number of employees and business partners to the reception last week.  
A. was inviting      B. invites      C. had invited      D. invited

20. The security guard noticed the broken window while he \_\_\_\_\_ round the warehouse.  
A. was walking      B. walked      C. had walked      D. walks