

*Exercise: Choose the best answer to complete each following sentence.*

**Question 1:** The manager \_\_\_\_\_ the store before I arrived.

- A. closed                      B. had closed                      C. has closed                      D. was closed

**Question 2:** When we see Mr. Minh tomorrow, I \_\_\_\_\_ him of that.

- A. will remind                      B. remind                      C. have reminded                      D. reminded

**Question 3:** When I got home I found that water \_\_\_\_\_ down the kitchen walls.

- A. ran                      B. was running                      C. has run                      D. had been running

**Question 4:** After he \_\_\_\_\_ his English course, he went to England to continue his study.

- A. has finish                      B. had finished                      C. was finished                      D. would finish

**Question 5:** While my father \_\_\_\_\_ a film on TV, my mother was cooking dinner.

- A. watched                      B. was watching                      C. had watched                      D. watches

**Question 6:** I don't think he \_\_\_\_\_ in the thirty years I \_\_\_\_\_ him.

- A. had changed/have known                      B. has changed/have known  
C. had changed/had known                      D. has changed/knew

**Question 7:** When I came to visit her last night, she \_\_\_\_\_ a bath.

- A. is having                      B. was having                      C. has had                      D. had had

**Question 8:** Tom \_\_\_\_\_ before we arrive there.

- A. has left                      B. had left                      C. will have left                      D. leaves

**Question 9:** He \_\_\_\_\_ his Chinese course before he went to China to continue his business.

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

**Question 10:** Please send us a postcard as soon as you \_\_\_\_\_ in London.

- A. will arrive                      B. is going to arrive                      C. arrive                      D. arrived

**Question 11:** I \_\_\_\_\_ you this book when I meet you tomorrow.

- A. give                      B. will give                      C. is giving                      D. has given

**Question 12:** We \_\_\_\_\_ for going home when it began to rain.

- A. were preparing                      B. are preparing                      C. will be preparing                      D. have prepared

**Question 13:** John \_\_\_\_\_ in the same house since he left school.

- A. lived                      B. had lived                      C. was living                      D. has lived

**Question 14:** I had prepared dinner before I \_\_\_\_\_ to work.

- A. went                      B. was going                      C. had gone                      D. is going

**Question 15:** When she came into the hall, she \_\_\_\_\_ her arms to the audience, smiled and bowed deeply.

- A. opened                      B. had opened                      C. was opening                      D. is opening

**Question 16:** I have never played badminton before. This is the first time I \_\_\_\_\_ to play it.

- A. try                      B. tried                      C. have tried                      D. am trying

**Question 17:** The car \_\_\_\_\_ ready for him by the time he comes tomorrow.

- A. will be                      B. will have been                      C. will being                      D. are going to be

**Question 18:** He greeted her. She really \_\_\_\_\_ better than when he \_\_\_\_\_ her last. Yes, she \_\_\_\_\_.

A. looked/saw/had changed

B. looked/saw/changed

C. looked/had seen/had changed

D. had looked/had seen/had changed

**Question 19:** When I last saw him, he \_\_\_\_\_ in London.

A. has lived

B. is living

C. was living

D. has been living

**Question 20:** I sat down at the desk and \_\_\_\_\_ why my father's letter \_\_\_\_\_ yet. I \_\_\_\_\_ to ask him to send me some money at once.

A. wonder/hasn't arrive/wrote

B. wondered/hadn't arrived/wrote

C. wondered/hasn't arrived/wrote

D. wondered/hadn't arrived/had written

**Question 21:** By Christmas, I \_\_\_\_\_ for Mr. Smith for six years.

A. will have been working

B. will work

C. have been working

D. will be working

**Question 22:** I will come and see you before I \_\_\_\_\_ for the States.

A. leave

B. will leave

C. have left

D. shall leave

**Question 23:** By the age of 25, he \_\_\_\_\_ two famous novels.

A. wrote

B. writes

C. has written

D. had written

**Question 24:** When her husband was in the army, Mary \_\_\_\_\_ to him twice a week

A. was writing

B. wrote

C. was written

D. had written

**Question 25:** I have never played football before. This is the first time I \_\_\_\_\_ to play.

A. try

B. tried

C. have tried

D. am trying

**Question 26:** Since Tom \_\_\_\_\_, I have heard nothing from him.

A. had left

B. left

C. has left

D. was left

**Question 27:** After I \_\_\_\_\_ lunch, I looked for my bag.

A. had

B. had had

C. will have had

D. have had

**Question 28:** By the end of next year, George \_\_\_\_\_ English for two years.

A. will have learned

B. will learn

C. has learned

D. would learn

**Question 29:** These were the highest words of praise they \_\_\_\_\_ from the old man.

A. ever heard

B. have ever had

C. had ever had

D. will have ever heard

**Question 30:** He will take the dog out for a walk as soon as he \_\_\_\_\_ dinner.

A. finish

B. finishes

C. will finish

D. finishing

**Question 31:** She \_\_\_\_\_ the children to her, and \_\_\_\_\_ the words she \_\_\_\_\_ to the others.

A. drew/said/had said

B. was drawing/said/said

C. had drawn/had said/said

D. draws/is saying/has said

**Question 32:** He fell down when he \_\_\_\_\_ towards the church.

A. run

B. runs

C. was running

D. had run

**Question 33:** Within a week she knew the fearful mistake she \_\_\_\_\_.

A. made

B. has made

C. had made

D. was making

**Question 34:** They \_\_\_\_\_ table tennis when their father comes back home.

A. will play

B. will be playing

C. play

D. would play



**Question 35:** Before she went to bed, she \_\_\_\_\_ her homework already.

- A. finished                      B. is finishing                      C. had finished                      D. was finishing

**Question 36:** They are staying at the hotel in London. At this time tomorrow, they \_\_\_\_\_ in Vietnam.

- A. will have travelled                      B. will travel                      C. will be travelling                      D. will be travelled

**Question 37:** There \_\_\_\_\_ something vaguely familiar about her face but I couldn't remember where I \_\_\_\_\_ her before.

- A. is/have met                      B. was/had met                      C. will see/meet                      D. was/met

**Question 38:** Another million people \_\_\_\_\_ unemployed by the time next year.

- A. will have become                      B. will become                      C. will be become                      D. will be becoming

**Question 39:** She told me that her family \_\_\_\_\_ long in that town.

- A. has lived                      B. had lived                      C. lived                      D. was living

**Question 40:** By the time he \_\_\_\_\_ out of jail, he will have forgotten how to function in the real world.

- A. got                      B. will get                      C. gets                      D. is getting

**Question 41:** \_\_\_\_\_ I have been saving money because I \_\_\_\_\_ buy a computer

- A. shall                      B. will                      C. am going to                      D. would

**Question 42:** \_\_\_\_\_ By 8 o'clock yesterday, the spaceship \_\_\_\_\_ 20 hours around the earth

- A. will travel                      B. has been traveling                      C. had been traveling                      D. will have been traveling

**Question 43:** Over 20 years \_\_\_\_\_ but I never forgot the time we first met each other.

- A. went                      B. have gone up                      C. has gone by                      D. has gone out

**Question 44:** The child kept the present that she \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. has been given                      B. had been given                      C. had given                      D. has given

**Question 45:** That pipe \_\_\_\_\_ for ages-we must get it mended.

- A. has been leaking                      B. has been leaked                      C. had been leaked                      D. had been leaking

**Question 46:** I used my calculator; otherwise it \_\_\_\_\_ longer

- A. will take                      B. would take                      C. took                      D. would have taken

**Question 47:** How many musical notes of the 11,000 tones that the human ear can distinguish \_\_\_\_\_ in the musical scale?

- A. is it                      B. it is                      C. are there                      D. there are

**Question 48:** You \_\_\_\_\_ to our conversation. It was private.

- A. haven't been listening                      B. shouldn't have been listening  
C. couldn't have been listening                      D. hadn't been listening

**Question 49:** The President \_\_\_\_\_ a speech, but in the end he \_\_\_\_\_ his mind.

- A. would deliver - had changed                      B. was going to deliver - changed  
C. delivered - had changed                      D. was delivering - changed

**Question 50:** The Angkor complex \_\_\_\_\_ the entire range of Khmer art from the 9th to the 14th century.

- A. represented                      B. represents                      C. represent                      D. was represented