19 Present, Past, Present Perfect

Check

Write the verbs in the correct tense.

1 She paid for her ticket and ..... . (leave)

2 I closed the door quietly because he ..... to sleep. (try)

3 How many times ..... since he came to New York? (she call)

4 I ..... about this for some time now. (know)

5 They ..... television – their favourite programme is on at the moment. (watch)

6 I wanted to be the first to tell her the news, but it was too late. Someone ..... her. (already tell)

7 The children are filthy. Where .....? (they be)

8 I'm going to bed. I ..... for hours and I'm tired. (work)

9 I think she's the nicest person I ..... . (ever meet)

10 Mary was cleaning the windscreen when she ..... a crack in the glass. (notice)

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11 I couldn't open the office door because someone ..... it. (lock)

12 I agree: I ..... you should apologize. (not think)

13 When I phoned her, she ..... her homework. (do)

14 We ..... for three-and-a-half hours when John finally arrived. (wait)

15 When I shouted, they ..... off the roof and ..... away. (jump/run)

16 Don't phone her just now. She ..... to her boss. (talk)

17 Oh! You ..... a shave! You look strange without a beard! (have)

18 I ..... military service for eighteen months. This is my last month. (do)

19 We ..... for about four hours when we realized that something was wrong with one of the tyres. (travel)

20 Mary will be ready soon. She ..... a bath at the moment. (have)

21 Sorry, I ..... . Could you say that again please? (not understand)

22 We ..... in the cafe until the rain stopped and then went home. (stay)

23 ..... here before? (you be)

24 There was nobody at the office. Mr Brownlow ..... the staff to go home. (tell)

25 I signed the register and ..... upstairs to my room. (go)

26 He had been working in the garden, but he ..... when he saw us. (stop)

27 I couldn't drive to work because Mary ..... the car. (use)

28 How many times ..... him since he went to Edinburgh? (you see)

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29 Peter and Jane .....: I could here them from my room. (argue)

30 I ..... him since he started working here. (never trust)

31 I'm worried. Why ..... yet? (they not arrive)

32 They're very angry. They ..... to see you for the last two or three hours. (try)

33 I wanted to help with the washing-up, but they ..... it. (already do)

34 It's the most comfortable car I ..... . (ever drive)

35 Peter was cleaning the flat and John ..... . (the dinner)

36 I had a pleasant surprise when I got to my room: someone ..... some flowers there for me. (put)

37 ..... that we should tell him tomorrow? (you agree)

38 They couldn't leave the studio when I called because they ..... a film. (edit)

39 I ..... the machine for some time when I realised that there was no ink in it. (use)

40 When he warned them about the police, they ..... the country. (leave)

41 Don't make a noise: the children ..... to sleep. (try)

42 Oh! You ..... a new dress! (buy)

43 She ..... here for several years – four or five now, I think. (work)

44 We ..... in the sunshine for about twenty-five minutes when I suddenly felt sick. (sit)

45 He'll be ready in a moment. He ..... his shoes. (clean)

46 I ..... listening to their complaints all day. One of these days I'll tell them what I really think. (hate)

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47 I ..... down on the bed and fell asleep. (lie)

48 I think I ..... him somewhere before. (see)

49 I couldn't get into the car, because the children
..... the car keys. (hide)

50 Peter was meeting someone that night, so I
..... at the office and
..... for a few hours. (stay/work)

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