Test Tenses

1. **Expand the questions. Use the present simple or the present continuous. Then write answers.**

What / you / do / next weekend?

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What time / you / usually / get up?

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What / you / wear / today?

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2. **Choose the past perfect or past simple.**

- I *didn't have / hadn't had* anything to eat all day so I *had agreed / agreed* when she invited me to come to the party.
- Nicola *knew / had known* Newquay quite well because she *was / had been* there before.
- Nicola *couldn't / had could* find the person who *dropped / had dropped* the money.

3. **Complete. Use the present perfect continuous.**
   - We ..... here for nine years. (live)
   - I .....him for 6 months. (not phone)
   - How long ..... you ..... with her dad? (argue)
   - ..... she ..... for advice? (ask)

PRESENT PERFECT AND PAST SIMPLE

4. **Complete the newspaper extracts. Use the present perfect or the past simple.**

Last night, a massive tidal wave (1 hit) _____ the coast of Mexico. Over 5,000 people (2 already / lose) _____ their homes. There (3 be) _____ several natural disasters in this region in the last eighteen months. Only last month, a hurricane (4 hit) _____ Brazil.

5. Complete the conversation by underlining the most appropriate form of the future

Jim: What *will you do/ are you doing* next Saturday?

Amy: *I'm going / I'll go* to that new fast food place the market square with some friends. It *opens / will open* this week. Why?

Jim: Well, *I'm going / I'll go* to a concert and I thought you might like to come.

Amy: Oh. I'd love to. *Is anybody special playing / Will anybody* special play?

Jim: Only your favourite band!

Amy: I know what *I'll do/ I'm doing.*

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Jim: What?

Amy: *I'm phoning / I'll phone* my friends and see if I can go out with them on Sunday instead. Then *I'll be/ I'm going to be* able to come to the concert.

Jim: That's great. What time shall we meet?

Amy: Well, *I'll go/ I'm going* to the hairdresser's in the afternoon. Tell you what. Why don't we meet in the coffee bar in town? What time *does/will* the concert start?

Jim: At 7.30. Look. *I'm meeting/I'll meet* you around 7 o'clock. *That'll / That's going to* give us plenty of time to get to the concert and have a drink first.

Amy: Fine. See you Saturday.

6. Complete

1 We *lived / have lived* in Madrid since 1998.

2 When Steven got home, his parents *had already gone out / already went out*.

3 What *did you do / were you doing* after school yesterday?

4 Ouch! I've *been cutting / cut* my finger.

5 I'm exhausted! I've *written / been writing* 50 thank you letters today.

6 Where *did Mark sit / was Mark sitting* when the accident happened?

7 What *have you done / have you been doing* all day?

8 We *went / have gone* to Greece for the first time last year.

9 George *had already done / already did* his homework before the end of the lesson.

10 Jane *has bought / bought* a new car two weeks ago.

7. Put the verbs in the correct form.
   a. I..... my car for two years. (have)
   b. I .....to Germany tomorrow on business. (go)
   c. We're exhausted. We ..... all day (study).
   d. A: I'm cold.
      B: Are you? I .....the central heating. (turn on)
   e. We get on very well. We .....friends for nearly ten years. (be)
   f. When I arrived, the flat was empty. Everybody ..... (go).
   g. I ..... sell my flat yet but I'm still trying. (not be able to)
8. Complete the questions.
   a. A: What time ..... work? (finish)

      B: She usually finishes about 7.00.
   b. A: What .....tonight? (do)
      B: Nothing. I want to go to bed early.
   c. A: How long.....? (wait)

      B: For almost an hour! I thought you'd got lost.

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