VERB TENSES – KEY WORD TRANSFORMATIONS

Complete the second sentence so that it has a similar meaning to the first sentence, using the word given. Do not change the word given in bold. You must use between two and five words, including the word given. Type your answer in CAPITAL LETTERS and don't use contractions.

1. The last time I saw my best friend was three weeks ago.
   LAST
   It is three weeks _____ my best friend.
2. Ian started smoking a few months ago.
   BEEN
   Ian _____ a few months.
3. The Browns have been living in Seattle for three years.
   CAME
   The Browns _____ three years ago.
4. I met my boss a year ago.
   HAS
   It _____ I met my boss.
5. I have not travelled abroad since last summer.
   LAST
   _____ abroad was last summer.
6. Joseph has played the saxophone for ten years.
   STARTED
   Joseph _____ ten years ago.
7. I last played chess a week ago.
   FOR
   I _____ a week.
8. The last time William saw a doctor was in 2018.
   SEEN
   William _____ since 2018.
9. James has not drunk alcohol since last Christmas.
   STOPPED
   James _____
10. My sister met her boyfriend two months ago.
    HAS
    My sister _____two months.
11. It is the second time Mika has performed in Galicia.
    TWICE
    Mika _____
12. First Bob finished his homework. Then he read a comic.
    HAD
    Before Bob read a comic, he _____
13. The news finished before we switched on the TV.
    BY
    _____ on the TV, the news had already finished.
14. We have never visited Bath before.
    EVER
    It's the first time we _____
15. It is the most interesting novel that I have ever read.
    NEVER
    I _____ an interesting novel.

16. When did they move to Liverpool?
LONG
_____ they moved to Liverpool?

17. My best friend has been studying Japanese for six months.
BEGAN
_____ Japanese six months ago.

18. This is the first time I have read this magazine.
NEVER
I have _____

19. We have never been in this situation before.
IT
_____ we have been in this situation.

20. They had never visited a larger city.
WAS
_____ they had ever visited.

21. It was the tastiest omelette I had ever eaten.
SUCH
I _____ tasty omelette.

22. How long have you been studying English?
BEGIN
_____ English?

23. Kelly washed the dishes and then she turned the radio on.
AFTER
Kelly turned the radio on _____ the dishes.

24. After Scott had arrived home, he fed the dog.
WHEN
Scott fed the dog _____

25. Rose put the children to bed and then she watched a film.
SOON
As _____ the children to bed, she watched a film.

26. Oliver made breakfast and then he texted his girlfriend.
AFTER
_____, he texted his girlfriend.

27. In those days we spent the summer in the mountains.
TO
In those days _____ the summer in the mountains.

28. It was the most beautiful song I have ever listened to.
SUCH
I _____ a beautiful song before.

29. My brother played football almost every day when he was young.
PLAY
My brother _____ almost every day when he was young.

30. Liam left before my arrival.
WHEN
_____ already left.