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AN UNCONVENTIONAL PAINTER

One day, a boy saw a man climb over the wall of his neighbour's garden to steal some fruit. He quickly went home and drew a likeness of the thief. The moment his father heard the story and saw the picture, he took it to the authorities. It **8.1.** _____ out to be very useful since the thief was soon caught. The boy was Thomas Gainsborough, who grew up to be one of England's most famous 18th-century painters, known both **8.2.** _____ the mastery of his craft and his unconventional methods. He painted in semi-darkness, and sitters for portraits claimed that **8.3.** _____ they nor their portraits were visible. When painting a landscape, he did not go outside, but constructed models from cork and coal, sand, moss, and other materials. Yet, **8.4.** _____ a result of this unusual practice, Thomas Gainsborough produced some of the most poetic paintings imaginable.

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IS IT POSSIBLE TO FRY AN EGG ON THE SIDEWALK?

The question comes from the saying "It's so hot you could fry an egg on the sidewalk!" Those who have tried to do so, have most likely **8.1.** _____ up with a mess resembling scrambled eggs. Why is that?

An egg needs a temperature of 158°F (70°C) to set. In **8.2.** _____ for the egg white to become firm, proteins in the egg must modify. That won't happen until the temperature rises enough to start and maintain the process.

The sidewalk presents several challenges to this. Sidewalk temperature can differ **8.3.** _____ on its composition, the air temperature, and whether it is in direct sunlight or not. Robert Wolke, in his book *What Einstein Told His Cook: Kitchen Science Explained*, points out that a concrete sidewalk might only reach a temperature of 145°F (63°C), which is not enough to fry an egg evenly.

Still, the idea of frying an egg on a sidewalk is so intriguing that the city of Oatman, in Arizona, hosts an annual Solar Egg Frying Contest on the 4th of July. Contestants get 15 minutes to make an attempt using solar power, i.e. sunlight, alone. However, some aids, **8.4.** _____ as mirrors or magnifying glasses, are allowed. They help to focus the heat onto the egg itself.

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HOW TO GET A STAR ON THE HOLLYWOOD WALK OF FAME?

In theory anyone can apply to have a star on the Hollywood Walk of Fame in one of five categories: film, TV, radio, recording and theatre performance. But, in fact, it's not as simple as 8.1. _____. First, a candidate has to be nominated. Nominations can be submitted by anyone, from publicists and fans 8.2. _____ celebrities themselves. Next, the nominee must sign a form stating that they want a star, and that they will attend the unveiling ceremony. If the application 8.3. _____ accepted, whoever did the nominating needs to pay a fee of \$30,000. The Chamber of Commerce claims that half of the fee goes into creating the star, while the 8.4. _____ half is used for its maintenance. Interestingly, some of our favourite A-listers – like Julia Roberts, Clint Eastwood, Denzel Washington, and Al Pacino – don't have a star.

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Grammar practice

Exercise 1

Exercise 2

Exercise 3

Exercise 4

Mixed Tenses Test Exercises - Multiple Choice Questions With Answers - Advanced Level 2

1. A: I must call the police.
B: Why?
A: Because somebody ____ my cheque book.
B: I am sorry to hear that. I hope it will soon be recovered.
A) stole
B) is stealing
C) has stolen
D) steals
E) was stealing
2. I ____ a pain in my stomach but it ____ better.
A) am still having / gets
B) have still had / has got
C) was still having / got
D) still have / is getting
E) still had / has got
3. I guess that my parents ____ the good news yet
A) didn't hear
B) don't hear
C) isn't hearing
D) haven't heard
E) won't hear
4. At present, he ____ in an ice-cream factory. This is the third factory in which he ____ this year.
A) is working / has worked
B) works / worked
C) has been working / works
D) works / has been working
E) worked / has been working
5. Oh dear, I ____ my books in the class. Could you go and fetch them for me?
A) left
B) am leaving
C) have left
D) was leaving
E) leave
6. He _____. Everything he ____ us so far is true.
A) doesn't lie / told
B) hasn't lied / tells
C) isn't lying / has told
D) wasn't lying / is telling
E) didn't lie / was telling
7. I ____ in the garden. That's why I'm so dirty.
A) had worked
B) had been working
C) have been working
D) could work
E) was working
8. I ____ him all day but the line is still engaged.
A) was ringing
B) rang
C) ring
D) have been ringing
E) am ringing
9. It is nice to see that after three days of strikes, the buses ____ today.
A) worked
B) has worked
C) was working
D) work
E) are working
10. Zeynep is really a good friend and she ____ to send me a letter each month.
A) never failed
B) never fails
C) is never failing
D) had never failed
E) was never failing
11. ____ to his office last weekend but there ____ only workers in the building.
A) go / are
B) went / have been
C) have gone / were
D) has gone/are
E) went / were
12. One afternoon last August, the director ____ staff in some stores and ____ them to fair.
A) selected / sent
B) has selected / has sent
C) selects / sends
D) is selecting / sends
E) was selecting / was sending

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- 13.** Once upon a time, a small person named Little Red Riding Hood ____ plans for the preparation of foodstuffs for her grandmother.
- A) is initiated
B) has initiated
C) had been initiating
D) initiated
E) is going to initiate
- 14.** In an effort to make the classics accessible to contemporary readers, I ____ them into the modern American language now.
- A) translate
B) am translating
C) have been translated
D) had been translating
E) translated
- 15.** While my mother ____ in the kitchen, I ____ after my small brother.
- A) had cooked / looked
B) was cooking / had been looking
C) was cooking / looked
D) had been cooking / was looking
E) is cooking / will look
- 16.** Yesterday, I ____ to my son's ceremony when a plane ____ to that part of the city.
- A) went / fell
B) was going / was falling
C) went / was falling
D) was going / fell
E) have gone / falls
- 17.** He didn't know what the boy ____ about with the man outside before he ____ in.
- A) was talking / was coming
B) talked / came
C) was talking / had come
D) talked / was coming
E) was talking / comes
- 18.** In the middle ages the means of transportation ____ few when compared with today.
- A) were
B) was
C) have been
D) were being
E) are being
- 19.** He ____ to the locksmith who ____ the combination of the safe.
- A) hurried / checks
B) was hurrying / checked
C) was hurrying / was checking
D) hurries / checked
E) hurried / was checking
- 20.** You can't see him now. He ____ to Norfolk he ____ on Tuesdays.
- A) goes / arrives
B) went / returned
C) has gone / arrives
D) went / has arrived
E) went / arrives
- 21.** People of the area ____ many attempts to improve living conditions but it can't be said they ____ successful so far.
- A) made / were
B) are making / have been
C) make / are
D) made / are
E) have made / have been
- 22.** She ____ for her husband since he left for Ohio last month.
- A) longs
B) is longing
C) was longing
D) has been longing
E) longed
- 23.** We ____ here to watch the sunset. This is what we ____ at the weekends.
- A) have gathered / do
B) are gathering / do
C) gathered / did
D) gather / have done
E) gathered / have done
- 24.** She ____ everyone by coming one day earlier. We ____ happy to see her.
- A) has surprised / will be
B) has surprised / are
C) surprises / were
D) has surprised / were
E) is surprising / are

25. How many books ____ you ____ so far?

- A) did / read
- B) will / read
- C) had / read
- D) are / going to read
- E) have / read

26. I ____ since I learnt that it causes lung cancer.

- A) will not smoke
- B) had smoked
- C) haven't been smoking
- D) weren't smoking
- E) used to smoke

27. I ____ even one cigarette since I gave up it five months ago.

- A) have smoked
- B) hadn't been smoking
- C) hadn't smoked
- D) haven't been smoking
- E) wouldn't have smoked

28. She ____ in that company since she graduated from university

- A) will have worked
- B) has been working
- C) would have worked
- D) was working
- E) will work

29. Where have you been? I ____ for you fifteen minutes.

- A) had waited
- B) had been waiting
- C) would be waiting
- D) was going to wait
- E) have been waiting

30. Scientists ____ the time the cure of the disease since the P.M. ordered them to do so.

- A) have searched
- B) were searching
- C) had been searching
- D) had searched
- E) have been searching