

EXERCISE 23

TENSES AND CONCORD

Choose the most suitable answer and write its number in the brackets.

1 Everything, from handbags to shoes, _____ on sale tomorrow.
(1) is (2) are (3) was (4) were (1)

2 Wood that _____ treated will usually last longer.
(1) was (2) has been (3) are (4) have been ()

3 The match will be postponed if it _____.
(1) rains (2) did rain (3) rained (4) had rained ()

4 The water in the bottles _____ from a natural spring.
(1) come (2) comes (3) had come (4) have come ()

5 A lot of dust _____ about when I tried to clean the unoccupied house.
(1) fly (3) were flying
(2) flies (4) was flying ()

6 The tribal leader _____ rituals whenever a baby is born in the village.
(1) conducts (3) has conducted
(2) conducted (4) is conducting ()

7 Either of them could _____ the wallet when the rest of the students were in the library.
(1) taken (2) takes (3) took (4) have taken ()

8 Neither of these hairstyles _____ you. Why don't you choose another one?
(1) suit (2) suits (3) suited (4) has suited ()

9 Agnes, an experienced mountaineer, _____ Mount Everest before.
(1) climbs (3) has climbed
(2) was climbing (4) climbs ()

10 Before yesterday, I never _____ that Shirley could be such a dishonest person.
(1) think (3) thought
(2) have thought (4) had thought ()