Grammar reference

THE SUBJECTIVE INFINITIVE CONSTRUCTION *to seem, to appear*		
I, you, we, they	seem don't seem appear don't appear	**to do** **to be doing** **to have done** **to have been doing**
he, she, it	seems doesn't seem appears doesn't appear	

TASK

Paraphrase the sentences below using the subjective infinitive construction with *to seem, to appear* **so that the meaning stays the same.**

1. It seems that he's looking for something.

   He _____ for something.

2. It seems that he knows a lot about history.

   He _____ a lot about history.

3. It seems that he has broken his arm.

   He _____ his arm.

4. It seems that the team has been struggling with their new strategy.

   The team _____ with their new strategy.

5. It appears that she likes classical music.

   She _____ classical music.

6. It seems that she has lost her keys again.

   She _____ her keys again.

7. It seems that he works very hard every day.

   He _____ very hard every day.

8. It appears that he has been running for quite a while.

   He _____ for quite a while.

9. It seems that he has forgotten about our meeting.

   He _____ about our meeting.

10. It appears that the dog has been barking nonstop since noon.

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The dog _____ nonstop since noon.

11. It seems that they want a bigger house.

    They _____ a bigger house.

12. It seems that she's talking to someone on the phone.

    She _____ to someone on the phone.

13. It appears that the neighbors have moved away.

    The neighbors _____ away.

14. It appears that they're waiting for someone at the station.

    They _____ for someone at the station.

15. It seems that the dog recognizes its owner.

    The dog _____ its owner.

16. It appears that the kids have been playing in the mud.

    The kids _____ in the mud.

17. It appears that they're having a great time at the party.

    They _____ a great time at the party.

18. It seems that the audience is enjoying the performance.

    The audience _____ the performance.

19. It seems that he has made a mistake.

    He _____ a mistake.

20. It seems that she has been crying all night.

    She _____ all night.

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