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TENSE REVISION

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Mark the letter A, B, C, or D to indicate the correct answer to each of the following questions.

Question 1 : She _____ the letter a few moments before my call came through.

- A. has just opened B. had just opened C. just opened D. just opens

Question 2 : As soon as the boys _____ the hall they _____ to speak about books and writers.

- A. entered/begun B. were entering/began
C. entered/began D. had entered/began

Question 3 : While we _____ dinner at a restaurant someone came to the house and _____ this note.

- A. had had/ left B. were having/left C. had/left D. were having/had left

Question 4 : By the end of this year we _____ a new house.

- A. will buy B. will be buying C. will have bought D. had bought

Question 5 : "You always _____ mistakes, you need _____ the instructions more carefully."

- A. make/read B. are always making/read
C. make/to read D. are always making/to read

Question 6 : Those students who _____ the exam are going to take another one held in August.

- A. have failed B. failed C. had failed D. were failing

Question 7 : I _____ your brother this afternoon at Green Street.

- A. met B. had met C. was meeting D. have met

Question 8 : She said she met you once at the Hilton last year. _____ since then?

- A. Have you met her B. Did you meet her C. Were you met her D. Had you met her

Question 9 : Mr. Edwards _____ history for 35 years, and is retiring soon.

- A. teaches B. is teaching C. taught D. has been teaching

Question 10 : I'm tired. I _____ the house since 9 this morning.

- A. am cleaning B. was cleaning C. had been cleaning D. have been cleaning

Question 11 : I can't believe that you _____ all the three exercises. You just started five minutes ago.

- A. have finished B. have been finishing C. finished D. are finishing

Question 12 : "How's Peter doing?" "I don't know. I _____ from him for months."

- A. have to hear B. haven't heard C. didn't hear D. don't hear

Question 13 : Their children _____ lots of new friends since they _____ to that town.

- A. have made - moved B. were making - have moved
C. made - are moving D. made - have been moving

Question 14 : He _____ a cigarette and _____ to the window.

- A. lighted/walked B. lit/was walking
C. was lighted/was walking D. lit/had walked

Question 15 : "You _____ here before?" "Yes, I _____ my holidays here last year.

- A. Were/spent B. Have you been/spent
C. Were/had spent D. Have you been/have spent

Question 16 : "You have just missed the last train." "Never mind, I _____."

- A. will walk B. was walking C. am walking D. am going to walk

Question 17 : I _____ my sister in April as planned.

- A. have seen B. will see C. am going to see D. see

Question 18 : Then about a year ago, he _____ and I _____ from him since.

- A. has disappeared/haven't never heard B. has disappeared/never heard
C. disappeared/ have never heard D. was disappeared/had never heard

Question 19 : After the guests _____ she went back into the living-room and _____ off the light.

- A. left/switched B. had left/switched
C. had left/had switched D. had left/was switching

Question 20 : When Alice gets here, you _____ her to her room?

- A. will you show B. did you show C. have you shown D. are you showing

Question 21 : As Hugh and I _____ down the steps we nearly _____ into my father.

- A. came/ran B. were coming/ran C. had come/ran D. came/were running

Question 22 : If you want to see us, come to Tom's on Sunday. We _____ for you there at midday.

- A. will wait B. will be waiting C. will have waited D. will have been waiting

Question 23 : Come in, please. I _____ for you long.

- A. have waited B. had waited C. have been waiting D. waited

Question 24 : For a moment after their son _____ the room, Mr and Mrs Smith merely _____ and _____ at each other.

- A. had left/had stood/looked B. had left/stood/looked
C. left/stood/looked D. had left/had stood/had looked

Question 25 : When we _____ in London tonight, it _____.

- A. arrived/was probably raining B. arrive/ will be probably raining
C. arrived/had been probably raining D. arrive/ will have probably rained

Question 26 : I'm afraid I must ask you both what _____ yesterday at 10:20 p.m.

- A. did you do B. had you done C. you were doing D. were you doing

Question 27 : There _____ great changes in our village in the past few years.

- A. have been B. had been C. was D. has been

Question 28 : The noise from the trains _____ me terribly last night.

- A. was annoyed B. annoyed C. has annoyed D. had annoyed

Question 29 : Listen to this! I think this news _____ you.

- A. surprises B. will surprise C. surprised D. would surprise

Question 30 : By the end of this month, I hope I _____ 200 pages of my new novel.

- A. had written B. will have written
C. will have been writing D. have written