

Use of English – Unit 01

Grammar (Tenses Revision)

Ex. 1. Select the missing word

A Read the text below and complete each blank with one word. All missing words are auxiliary verbs (is, was, have, has, had, do, does, did etc.).



My life (1) _____ improved a lot since last year. You see, before that I (2) _____ been working in the same job for five years and I (3) _____ beginning to feel rather bored. I (4) _____ getting ready to apply for another job when one day my boss called me into her office. "Our company (5) _____ planning to expand overseas," she said. "We (6) _____ thinking of starting with Spain, therefore we will (7) _____ needing some of our best employees to support our new branch there. (8) _____ you think you would be interested in a transfer?" Naturally I accepted, although at the time I (9) _____ not know that they (10) _____ also going to promote me to assistant manager.

By the end of this month, I will have (11) _____ living in Madrid for a year. You can't imagine how exciting my life (12) _____ become.

Ex.2. Put the verbs into correct tense (Past Simple / Continuous, Present Perfect Simple / Continuous) and add time words from the box (use each word only once)

for while yet still when ago already since

1 _____ Mary _____ (have) a bath yesterday evening, I was in the kitchen. I _____ (cook) her favourite dish because I _____ (want) to surprise her. _____ she _____ (come) into the kitchen, she couldn't believe her eyes!

2 **Jim:** Mum, I _____ (look) for my black belt _____ the past hour and I _____ (not find) it. _____ you _____ (see) it anywhere?

Mother: No, but I think you _____ (lend) it to your brother about a week _____.

Jim: Oh, you're right. He _____ (not give) it back to me. I bet he _____ (wear) it all week. Where is he now, Mum?

Mother: I'm afraid Mark _____ (leave). He _____ (get) up about an hour before you _____ (do).

3 I _____ (work) on this project _____ this morning but I _____ (not finish) it _____. What am I going to tell my boss?