

Past Tenses Test 6

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1. She never ___ to eat soup.

A) didn't like
B) like
C) had liked
D) would not like
E) liked

2. "I'll drink tea from this tin mug." "Where ___ you ___ it?"

A) did/find
B) do/find
C) did/find
D) were/found
E) are/found

3. It was dark and cold. At one moment he thought that he ___ his way.

A) lost
B) will lose
C) had lost
D) was lost
E) loses

4. I didn't know anyone in the city where I ___ to get.

A) did try
B) was trying
C) would try
D) have tried
E) shall try

5. -Why ___ you go to the plant? -I ___ no time.

A) do/had
B) will/have
C) did/hadn't
D) didn't/hadn't
E) didn't/had

6. A policeman ___ me crossing the street yesterday.

A) seen
B) saw
C) has seen
D) will see
E) had seen

7. Arthur ___ all his exams by 5 o'clock yesterday.

A) passed
B) passes
C) has passed
D) has been passed
E) had passed

8. He evidently ___ his shoes for a very long time. They were worn-out.

A) were wearing
B) are wearing
C) had been wearing
D) was wearing
E) had been worn

9. So, the invisible man ___ into the shop and ___ down.

A) comes/walked
B) didn't come/walk
C) came/walked
D) will come/walked
E) comes/would walk

10. -We were at the theatre 2 days ago. The performance was excellent. -Who ___ the leading part?

A) did play
B) play
C) played
D) would play
E) has played

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11. One day the boys found a man in the forest. He ___.
A) will die
B) had been dying
C) had died
D) was dying
E) die

12. His father __ a doctor and he __ to make his son a doctor, too.
A) was/wants
B) were/wanted
C) will be/would want
D) was/wanted
E) were/wanted

13. During his school years Cronin __ great interest in literature.
A) take
B) took
C) has taken
D) had taken
E) would take

14. He __ the box yesterday, because he had to do it.
A) would open
B) had opening
C) have opened
D) opens
E) opened

15. While the gentlemen __ the recent events, the ladies __ about the weather.
A) discuss/talk
B) are discussing/was talking
C) being discussed/being talked
D) were discussing/were talking
E) have discussed/have talked

16. She __ you a letter three weeks ago.
A) had sent
B) has sent
C) sent
D) send
E) was sending

17. When he __ home I __ him the book.
A) came /shall show
B) comes/showed
C) has come/has shown
D) came/showed
E) was coming/shall show

18. They __ breakfast at 7 and __ home at eight.
A) have/left
B) had/left
C) had/leave
D) have/leaves
E) had/had left

19. Long ago people __ little about those minerals.
A) had known
B) knowed
C) will know
D) knew
E) have known

20. The dentist __ two of his teeth. One of them __ quite good.
A) pulls out/are
B) pull out/was
C) pulled out/was
D) pull out/was
E) pulled out/were

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21. I couldn't imagine what ___ to her.

- A)** had happened
- B)** has been happened
- C)** will happen
- D)** has been happening
- E)** happens

22. He felt that he ___ it wrong.

- A)** has made
- B)** made
- C)** will make
- D)** was made
- E)** had made

23. I ___ my homework when my mother came.

- A)** already did
- B)** have already done
- C)** had already done
- D)** has already done
- E)** already do

24. Turning I found my father sitting beside me on the sofa. I said "How ___ you ___ here?"

- A)** do/get
- B)** did/get
- C)** does/get
- D)** was/getting
- E)** has/been getting

25. Last summer we ___ a trip to Houston.

- A)** made
- B)** has made
- C)** are making
- D)** shall make
- E)** will be making

26. He ___ barely ___ of him until that evening.

- A)** had/heard
- B)** has/heard
- C)** was/heard
- D)** did/hear
- E)** didn't/hear

27. She ___ in Tashkent five years ago.

- A)** had lived
- B)** lived
- C)** has lived
- D)** live
- E)** have lived

28. We ___ English, so I know it a little.

- A)** were learning
- B)** learned
- C)** learns
- D)** should learn
- E)** were learning

29. Yesterday at this time it ___ .

- A)** had snowed
- B)** snows
- C)** snowed
- D)** was snowing
- E)** had been snowing

30. We ___ he ___ ill.

- A)** did not know/was
- B)** knew/am ill
- C)** knew/will be
- D)** had known/is
- E)** were known/be

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31. The plane ___ at 4 and it ___ us 20 minutes to get there.

A) was landing/was taking
B) was landing/took
C) landed/took
D) lands/was taken
E) has landed/is taking

32. We ___ the station by 5 o'clock yesterday.

A) shall reach
B) were reaching
C) had reached
D) reached
E) would reach

33. The Browns ___ out of town last Sunday and ___ a good time there.

A) were going/had
B) went/are having
C) went/had
D) are going/were having
E) goes/has

34. Before answering the telephone he ___ down the table.

A) laid
B) was lying
C) had laid
D) lay
E) has laid

35. Who ___ at the meeting yesterday?

A) speak
B) speaks
C) spoke
D) had spoken
E) will speak

36. He met me with the bird in his hand. It ___ curiously at me.

A) looks
B) was looking
C) has been looking
D) would look
E) should look

37. Nick ___ yesterday.

A) will not come
B) hadn't come
C) didn't come
D) hasn't come
E) came not

38. I knew that he ___ the same paper each morning.

A) was bought
B) buys
C) is buying
D) bought
E) had bought

39. He asked the children who ___ the book.

A) tore
B) tear
C) tears
D) had torn
E) will tear

40. Who ___ on a hike yesterday?

A) did go
B) will go
C) has gone
D) went
E) had went

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41. I ___ to do it but I ___ no time. I was very busy.

- A)** wanted/has
- B)** want/had have
- C)** wanted/had
- D)** would want/have
- E)** have wanted/shall have

42. - What a luck. I haven't seen you for ages. - When ___ we ___ last time?

- A)** did / meet
- B)** have / met
- C)** had / met
- D)** did / met
- E)** will / meet

43. In the summer of 1868, Melville Bell ___ on a lecture tour in the USA and Canada.

- A)** goes
- B)** had gone
- C)** went
- D)** have gone
- E)** has gone

44. He ___ his work before you came.

- A)** finished
- B)** finishes
- C)** has finished
- D)** had finished
- E)** finish

45. Why ___ he go to Great Britain last month?

- A)** did
- B)** was
- C)** will
- D)** had
- E)** has

46. Did you ___ or ___ the potatoes?

- A)** mince/peeled
- B)** minced/peeled
- C)** minced/peeling
- D)** peels/minced
- E)** mince/peel

47. When she ___ they ___ and he left the house.

- A)** had come/quarreled
- B)** came/quarreled
- C)** has come/quarreled
- D)** comes/would quarrel
- E)** came/had quarreled

48. - Who had left the room by the time I came yesterday?

- A)** Tom did
- B)** Tom does
- C)** Tom had
- D)** Tom has
- E)** Tom was

49. Neither your parents nor I ___ very glad of the fact that you failed your Math exam.

- A)** has been
- B)** have been
- C)** were
- D)** was
- E)** are

50. What ___ you ___ at 5 p.m. yesterday?

- A)** did/do
- B)** have/been doing
- C)** would/do
- D)** were/doing
- E)** will/do

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51. Who ___ to see me last week?

- A)** comes
- B)** will come
- C)** came
- D)** has come
- E)** have come

52. They didn't believe him and ___ to laugh.

- A)** begin
- B)** begins
- C)** began
- D)** had begun
- E)** have begun

53. Children didn't ___ to school because it ___ Sunday.

- A)** went/was
- B)** go/were
- C)** have gone/was
- D)** gone/was
- E)** go/was

54. The train ___ at 8.30 p.m. today, but as a rule it ___ at 8.00 p.m. sharp.

- A)** has left / starts
- B)** left / started
- C)** left / has started
- D)** has left / has started
- E)** have left / starts

55. The moon ___ and it ___ surprisingly light at night yesterday.

- A)** is rising / is
- B)** rose / was
- C)** had risen / was
- D)** was rising / were
- E)** rose / had been

56. Who ___ him yesterday?

- A)** has seen
- B)** did see
- C)** saw
- D)** have seen
- E)** sees

57. He ___ nobody about his secret that day.

- A)** don't tell
- B)** tell
- C)** didn't tell
- D)** told
- E)** doesn't tell

