

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/found
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

