

Past Perfect Simple - Past Perfect Continuous Test

1. Bill and Jane were very tired because they ____ on stage for hours.
A) have danced
B) were dancing
C) dance
D) had been dancing
2. George ____ about the song until he ____ it on the TV show last night.
A) doesn't know / will hear
B) hasn't know / hears
C) hadn't known / heard
D) didn't know / has heard
3. I couldn't send you a postcard from Portugal last month because I ____ your address before I ____ there for a holiday.
A) will lose / have gone
B) have lost / go
C) was losing / had gone
D) had lost / went
4. After we ____ my grandparents, we ____ by the burger restaurant to eat lunch.
A) had visited / stopped
B) visit / have stopped
C) have visited / are stopping
D) were visiting / had stopped
5. Mrs Henderson ____ the report for the boss before he ____ at work in the morning.
A) is preparing / will arrive
B) had prepared / arrived
C) prepares / has arrived
D) prepared / was arriving
6. When Haluk ____ the door, he was surprised to see her friend Havva, who he ____ for years.
A) had opened / isn't seeing
B) open's / didn't see
C) opened / hadn't seen
D) was opening / wasn't seeing
7. It was too late for me to persuade Matt to return because he ____ on the bus when I ____ him on his mobile phone.
A) had got / called
B) was gerring / had called
C) will get / call
D) has got / am calling
8. Where ____ Funda ____ when she went to Barcelona? B: She ____ a room at a hotel by the beach two months in advance, so she stayed there.
A) had ... stayed / was booking
B) did ... stay / had booked
C) has ... stayed / booked
D) was ... staying / has booked
9. Mr Lewis was really angry because he ____ at the hospital for over 2 hours.
A) waits
B) has been waiting
C) had been waiting
D) was waiting
10. They ____ to find an answer to the problem for 3 hours when they ____ its solution.
A) have tried / find
B) had been trying / found
C) were trying / had found
D) tried / find

11. My father _____ the broken window by the time my mother _____ home from work.
- A) had fixed / returned
 - B) has fixed / returns
 - C) was fixing / has returned
 - D) fixed / was returning
12. William _____ for the remote control for 3 days when he _____ it under the sofa.
- A) is looking / finds
 - B) looked / was finding
 - C) had been looking / found
 - D) have been looking / found
13. The tickets for the concert _____ out by the time I got to the venue, but thankfully, my friend Lee _____ the tickets online.
- A) had already sold / had bought
 - B) has already sold / is buying
 - C) will already sell / has bought
 - D) already sold / was buying
14. The traffic was terrible yesterday, and before I _____ home from work, the football match _____.
- A) get / has finished
 - B) was getting / had been finishing
 - C) got / had finished
 - D) had got / was finishing
5. By the time I _____ the attic, Mrs Shannon _____ all the other rooms in the house.
- A) had cleaned / cleaned
 - B) have been cleaning / cleans
 - C) clean / was cleaning
 - D) cleaned / had cleaned
6. When my wife _____ to the car park to take her car, she discovered that someone _____ the car window.
- A) goes / has been breaking
 - B) went / had broken
 - C) is going / will break
 - D) had gone / has broken
7. Irene _____ her friend Mike move his house for a few days when she _____ sick.
- A) has helped / will get
 - B) helps / has been getting
 - C) helped / gets
 - D) had been helping / got
8. The policeman _____ traffic when the lorry _____ into the taxi.
- A) directs / is crashing
 - B) was directing / crashed
 - C) had directed / crashes
 - D) has been directing / is crashing

19. When I _____ to the shoe shop, the shopkeeper _____ for a tea break, so I had to wait for a while.

- A)** had been going / went
- B)** will go / goes
- C)** went / had gone
- D)** have gone / is going

20. Mike _____ over the offer for almost a week until he _____ a final decision.

- A)** had been thinking / was reaching
- B)** has been thinking / will reach
- C)** is thinking / reaches
- D)** had thought /reached



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