

GRAMMAR PRACTICE

A). TENSES (Context: A dialogue)

Fill the blanks in the following sentences with the correct form of the verb in brackets.

- 1) A: When you (meet) this famous British composer?
B: Oh, I met him when I (study) in London about five years ago.
- 2) A: Liz is very tired. She (study) for her final exams the whole week!
B: When the exams (be)?
A: Next week.
- 3) A: How Peter and you (meet)?
B: We met at a mutual friend's party about three years ago.
A: And (be) it love at first sight?
B: Not really. Indeed, I thought he was rather vain.
- 4) A: Oh! I see you no longer have the rose tattoo on your ankle.
When you (remove) it?
B: Just last week.
A: (be) it very painful?
B: Yes, a bit, but I'm OK now.
- 5) A: You look upset. What happened?
B: I (have) a terrible argument with a total stranger over a parking space at work.
A: Really? anyone (contact) the police?
B: Yes, in fact, the police arrives within minutes and arrested him.
- 6) A: Michael and I broke up last week. What I (do)?
A: Well, If I were you, I (take) a brief holiday and travel somewhere.
B: Yes, thanks, I'll probably do that.
- 7) A: '..... you ever (be) to Australia?'
B: Yes. Indeed, I spent my last summer holidays there.
A: Really? you (see) any sharks?
B: Oh, no. I didn't go scuba diving to observe them.
- 8) A: Oh, Tom, I'm so sad.
B: What (happen)?
A: I just (hear) that Justin Bieber is retiring from music.
B: Really? I didn't know. I'm sorry.

B. REPORTED SPEECH

Rewrite the following sentence in reported speech.

- 1) 'Don't get too close to the stage,' the security guard told them.

The security guard told them

- 2) 'Will you go to Italy tomorrow?' Tom asked Giovanni.

Tom asked him

- 3) 'I have a dream' said Martin L. King

Martin L. King said that he

- 4) 'When is the car going to be ready?', he asked them.

He asked

- 5) "I'm sorry I made you cry" Sean said.

Sean apologized for

C.) PHRASAL VERBS

Fill the blanks in the following two sentences with a phrasal verb that means the same as the verb in brackets.

- 1) a) It was a really boring evening. He talking non-stop
for literally over two hours. (continue)
b) He has been very sad lately. He with his girlfriend
a month ago. (end a relationship)
- 2) a) In spite of his looks, he's really very kind. I very well
with him. (have a good relationship or be friends with someone).
b) In the end, he decided to the job offer. (refuse, decline)
- 3) a) John is very sad. I'm afraid he hasn't his divorce yet. (recover from)
b) He treated her very badly. He really her (fail or
disappoint somebody).
- 4) a) 'When she read the news on the newspaper, she the paper
.....'. (discard, put in the bin or trash)
b) 'I had to my high-heeled shoes at the end of
the concert'. (not wear, remove clothing)

