

Quiz 15

Gerund, Present Participle and Past Participle

A: Choose the word or words that best complete each sentence.

1. The largest ----- insects are found in tropical rain forest.
A. knowing
B. known
2. A bill of lading is a ----- receipt for goods that are sent by public transportation.
A. writing
B. written
3. A hummingbird's heart beats at the ----- rate of 615 beats per second.
A. astonishing
B. astonished
4. At the peak of the jump, a pole-vaulter performs a series of ----- body motions to clear the bar.
A. twisting
B. twisted
5. Anyone ----- under conditions that cause a heavy loss of perspiration can suffer heat exhaustion.
A. working
B. worked
6. A mosquito ----- with blood is carrying twice its own body weight.
A. filled
B. is filled
7. The state of Wisconsin has 72 counties, many ----- after Indian tribes.
A. naming
B. named
8. Sunspots occur in cycles, with the greatest number generally ----- every 11 years.
A. appearing
B. are appearing
9. A delta is a more-or-less triangular area of sediments ----- at the mouth of a river.
A. depositing
B. deposited
10. William H. Kilpatrick was a philosopher and scholar now generally ----- as the father of progressive education.
A. regarding
B. regarded
11. Drug abuse is increasing at an ----- rate.
A. alarmed
B. alarming
12. The petition has been signed by ----- citizens.
A. concerning
B. concerned

B: Choose the word or words that best complete each sentence.

1. The children playing in the park _____ by their parents to come home for dinner.
a) were asked
b) were asking
c) was asked
d) was asking
2. The dog chasing the cat _____ its tail in circles.
a) is seen
b) was seen
c) seeing
d) see
3. The students studying in the library _____ to keep the noise level down.
a) are reminded
b) is reminded
c) were reminded
d) was reminded
4. The chef cooking in the kitchen _____ a delicious aroma throughout the restaurant.
a) spreads
b) spread

- c) spreading
- d) has spread

5. The athlete running in the race _____ a new personal record.

- a) achieves
- b) achieved
- c) achieving
- d) achieve

6. The bicycle _____ by someone in the neighborhood was found abandoned in the park.

- a) stole
- b) stolen
- c) stolen is
- d) stealing

7. The cake _____ from the bakery was enjoyed by all the guests at the party.

- a) stole
- b) steal
- c) stolen

- d) stealing

8. The book _____ on the shelf was written by a renowned author.

- a) put
- b) putted
- c) put is
- d) put was

9. The message _____ on the bulletin board was ignored by most people.

- a) post
- b) posted
- c) posting
- d) posts

10. The vase _____ accidentally by my sister was shattered into tiny pieces.

- a) break
- b) broke
- c) broken
- d) breaking

C: Choose the word or words that best complete each sentence.

1. I don't find this story ----

- A. amusing
- B. amused

2. I must have the mixer ---- .

- A. fixing
- B. fixed

3. My room is a mess: I really must get it ---- - up.

- A. tidying
- B. tidied

4. I would stay at home after such a ---- day.

- A. tiring
- B. tired

5. Uncle Frank has a gentle old horse ---- Pete on his farm.

- A. naming
- B. named

6. Can you smell something ----- ?

- A. burning
- B. burned

7. He opened the letter with ----- fingers.

- A. shaking
- B. shaken

8. She had rather a ----- look on her face.

- A. pleasing
- B. pleased

9. Deeply ----- I left them.

- A. shocking
- B. shocked

10. When ----- your question yesterday, I forgot this fact.

- A. answering
- B. answered

11. He walked along the road with his collar ----- up, hands in pockets.

- A. turning
- B. turned

12. I didn't enjoy the party because I was ---- there.

- A. boring
- B. bored

13. Why not throw away the umbrella, we are not likely to repair it.

- A. breaking
- B. broken

14. She didn't pay any attention to the ----- telephone.

- A. ringing
- B. rung

15. Don't you think your hair needs -----?

- A. cutting
- B. cut

16. Can you think of the name of an animal ---- with "B"?

- A. beginning
- B. begun

D: Write C if the following sentences are correct and I if incorrect.

1. The teacher gave a quiz on the just (completing) lesson.
2. There is a (fascinating) movie at the theater tonight.
3. They thought that it had been a very satisfied dinner.
4. The empty bottles are to the left, and the filling bottles are to the right.
5. For lunch at the restaurant she ordered a mixed salad.
6. The students thought that it was an interesting assignment.
7. The shoppers were impressed by the reducing prices.
8. He can't afford to take long vacations to exotic places because he is a worked man.
9. I recently received several annoying phone calls from the insurance agent.
10. Today the bookkeeper will work on the unpaying bills.

E: Write C if the following sentences are correct and I if incorrect.

1. The companies (offering) the lowest prices will have the most customers.
ADJ.
2. Those travelers are (completing) their trip on Delta should report to Gate Three.
VERB
3. The artisans were demonstrating various handicrafts at booths throughout the fair.
4. The fraternities are giving the wildest parties attract the most new pledges.
5. The first team winning four games is awarded the championship.
6. The speaker was trying to make his point was often interrupted vociferously.
7. The fruits were rotting because of the moisture in the crates carrying them to market.
8. Any students desiring official transcripts should complete the appropriate form.
9. The advertisements were announcing the half-day sale received a lot of attention.
10. The spices flavoring the meal were quite distinctive.

F: Write C if the following sentences are correct and I if incorrect.

1. The money was offered by the client was not accepted.
VERB VERB
2. The car listed in the advertisement had already stalled.
ADJ. VERB
3. The chapters were taught by the professor this morning will be on next week's exam.
4. The loaves of bread were baked in a brick oven at a low temperature for many hours.
5. The ports were reached by the sailors were under the control of a foreign nation.
6. Those suspected in the string of robberies were arrested by the police.
7. The pizza is served in this restaurant is the tastiest in the county.
8. The courses are listed on the second page of the brochure have several prerequisites.
9. All the tenants were invited to the Independence Day barbecue at the apartment complex.
10. Any bills paid by the first of the month will be credited to your account by the next day.

Directions: Choose the one option-(A), (B), (C), or (D)-that correctly completes the sentence.

1. Aerodynamics is the study of the forces _____ on an object as it moves through the atmosphere.
(A) acting
(B) act
(C) are acting
(D) acted
2. _____ for their strong fiber include flax and hemp.
(A) Plants are grown
(B) Plants grown
(C) Plants that grow
(D) To grow plants
3. _____, Jose Limon's dance troupe often toured abroad.
(A) The U.S. State Department sponsored it
(B) Sponsored by the U.S. State Department
(C) The U.S. State Department, which sponsored it
(D) The sponsorship of the U.S. State Department

4. Elfreth's Alley in Philadelphia is the oldest residential street in the United States, with _____ from 1728.
(A) houses are dated
(B) the dates of the houses
(C) the dating of houses
(D) houses dating
5. In 1821 the city of Indianapolis, Indiana, was laid out in a design _____ after that of Washington, D.C.
(A) patterned
(B) was patterned
(C) a pattern
(D) that patterned
6. _____ in front of a camera lens changes the color of the light that reaches the film.
(A) Placed a filter
(B) A filter is placed
(C) A filter placed
(D) When a filter placed
7. The Massachusetts State House, _____ in 1798, was the most distinguished building in the United States at that time.
(A) completing
(B) which was completed
(C) was completed
(D) to be completed
8. Barbara McClintock _____ for her discovery of the mobility of genetic elements.
(A) known
(B) who knows
(C) knowing
(D) is known
9. The solitary scientist _____ by himself has in many instances been replaced by a cooperative scientific team.
(A) to make important discoveries
(B) important discoveries were made
(C) has made important discoveries
(D) making important discoveries
10. Geometry is the branch of mathematics _____ the properties of lines, curves, shapes, and surfaces.
(A) that concerned with
(B) it is concerned with
(C) concerned with
(D) its concerns are

11. _____ an average of 471 inches of rain a year, Mount Waialeale in Hawaii is the wettest spot in the world.

- (A) It receives
- (B) Receiving
- (C) To receive
- (D) Received

12. Amber is a hard, yellowish-brown _____ from the resin of pine trees that lived millions of years ago.

- (A) substance formed
- (B) to form a substance
- (C) substance has formed
- (D) forming a substance