

MINI TEST – PAST TENSES

I. Put the verbs in the correct tenses: Past Simple / Past Continuous / Past Perfect / Past Perfect Continuous.

1. Sue (be) late for work because she (oversleep).
2. I (walk) down the street when I (bump) into Mary. I (not see) her for ages.
3. What exactly you (do) yesterday at 7 pm?
4. Alice (cook) for two hours before the guests (arrive).
5. How long you (wait) before they (come)?
6. The police (arrest) him because he (rob) the bank.
7. After we (leave) the office, we (head) for a pub.
8. Grandma (have) a nap while I (read) a magazine.
9. Our neighbours (have) a barbecue yesterday.
10. I (wake) up in the middle of the night when my neighbours upstairs (start) an argument.

II. Choose the best answer.

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/find E. are/find
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

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