

Quiz – Describing Changes over Time

1. Read the text.

Ten years ago, Green City was very small. There **were** only a few buildings and people **drove** everywhere. The river **was** dirty and many parks **were closed**. Today, Green City **is** very different. Many new buildings **exist**, more people **use** bicycles, and the river **is cleaned** every week. Several parks **have been renovated**, and many trees **have been planted**. Recently, the city government **has been working** on new public transportation. People **have been using** electric buses lately, and pollution **has decreased** a lot.

Identify the Tenses

Example: People have been using electric buses.

→ Present Perfect Continuous

-Ten years ago, people drove everywhere.

Tense: _____

-The river is cleaned every week.

Tense: _____

-The city government has been working on transportation projects.

Tense: _____

-Many parks have been renovated.

Tense: _____

2. Complete the chart

Verb	Simple Past	Past participle
Go		
		Done
See		
	Built	
Write		
		Taken
		Bought

3. Choose the correct form.

- While the workers (built / were building) the bridge, the mayor visited the city.
- People (walked / were walking) in the park when it suddenly started to rain.
- The government (announced / was announcing) a new project yesterday.
- While the engineers (worked / were working) on the road, traffic stopped.

4. Complete the sentences.

1. The city **has been** _____ (improve) public transportation.
2. People ____ **been** _____ (use) bicycles more often.
3. The government _____ **building** (build) new parks.

5. Rewrite the sentences in passive voice.

The city planted many trees. = Many trees **were planted** by the city.

The government built a new hospital.

→ A new hospital

_____.

The city cleaned the river.

→ the river

_____.

The mayor opened a new park.

→ a new park

_____.

6. Choose lately or recently.

1. The city has improved a lot

_____.

2. I have _____ noticed more people using electric buses.

3. Pollution has decreased

_____.

7. Listen and number the events 1–6 in the correct order.

___ Daniel bought groceries.

___ Daniel woke up late.

___ Daniel gave a presentation.

___ Daniel went to bed.

___ Daniel met Laura on the bus.

___ Daniel wrote emails.

8. Listen again and check (✓) the activities Daniel did.

Activity	✓
Woke up late	
Missed the bus	
Met Laura	
Wrote emails	
Took a phone call	
Went to a meeting	
Played soccer	
Bought groceries	
Watched a movie	