



1. ___ I was entering the room, the phone rang.

A) When B) Just as C) At the time D) For E) An hour ago

2. It ___ just before the war when Colin received a letter from Germany.

A) had been B) was C) is D) has been E) should be

3. Students ___ to each other when the director wanted them to help him.

A) were talking B) have talked C) have been talking D) are talking E) talk

4. When he ___ a schoolboy in Ohio, Jeffrey caught a wounded falcon in the roof.

A) was B) is C) had been D) has been E) would be

5. Jane ___ always ___ her room untidy these days.

A) was / leaving B) -- / leaves C) is/leaving D) --/left E) were / left

6. We ___ your size at the moment, but we can order it for you.

A) haven't had B) didn't have C) aren't having D) don't have E) won't have

7. We ___ for Alexandria for our holiday tomorrow morning.

A) are leaving B) leave C) left D) go E) are going

8. Julian was a young student when his father ___ in an accident.

A) dies B) died C) was dying D) is dying E) dead

9. I ___ the garden but I couldn't find the spade.

A) am digging B) was going to dig C) dug D) has dug E) will have dug

10. Last year I ___ camping with my friends for the last time.

A) went B) go C) am going D) was going E) have gone

11. Of course you can use my summer house in the country. But when you ___ there next month, remember that it ___ for five months.

A) will get / hasn't been cleaned B) are getting / isn't going to be cleaned

C) are going to get / will not be cleaned D) have got / hadn't been cleaned E) get / will not have been cleaned

12. My mother ____ at the airport tomorrow morning. I'm supposed to pick her up from the airport, but I ____ what time her plane gets in. What would you advise me to do?

A) will arrive/ forgot B) is arriving / have forgotten C) arrives / had forgotten

D) is going to arrive / forget E) will be arriving / am forgetting

13. I met him at the door just at the time boss ____ to the employees.

A) is talking B) talked C) was talking D) talks E) has talked

14. On seeing her brother unconscious, she immediately ____ her mother and ____ help.

A) called / wanted B) was calling / was wanting C) calls / is wanting

D) is calling / wants E) was calling / wants

15. The child ____ with her toy when I ____ her in the living room.

A) played / left B) plays/am leaving C) played / was leaving D) is playing / leave E) was playing / left

16. I ____ you with your homework as soon as I ____ writing these reports.

A) will help / have finished B) am helping / have finished C) have helped / am finishing

D) was going to help / will finish E) help / am going to finish

17. After they ____ the books, they ____ their journey.

A) delivered / started B) were delivering / started C) were delivering / were starting

D) delivered / were starting E) deliver / are starting

18. He ____ his family even when he ____ a schoolboy.

A) supported / is B) was supporting / did C) was supporting / was being

D) supported / was being E) supported / was

19. After struggling for weeks I ____ the job I ____ and now I'm happy with it.

A) got / have been wanting B) got/wanted C) was getting / was wanting

D) was getting / want E) am getting / wanted

20. Making such a thing ____ the peasants and they ____ the situation despite some hardships.

A) pleased / were utilizing B) pleased / utilized C) pleases / utilized

D) is pleasing / were utilizing E) is pleasing / utilize

21. My plane ____ at five p.m. on Monday. I don't need to call a taxi, my friend ____ me to the airport.

A) was leaving / has taken B) is leaving / will take C) leaves / is going to take
D) will leave / takes E) has left / took

22. He never ____ his work on time until this morning when Jane visited us.

A) was finishing B) is finishing C) has finished D) finishes E) finished

23. Newspapers say the minister ____ someone suitable for the task he ____ to get hold of.

A) is going to appoint/ will want B) appoints / wants C) is appointing / wanted
D) will appoint / wants E) appointed / has wanted

24. We ____ our work in the garden by the time he ____ from the pharmacist

A) will have finished / arrives B) will finish / will arrive C) will be finishing / arrived
D) finished / has arrived E) have finished / arrived

25. Some years ago people ____ living in the city centers but now they ____ to live in the suburbs.

A) had preferred / prefer B) preferred / have been preferring C) have preferred / prefer
D) were preferring / preferring E) preferred / prefer

26. I ____ the hours I spent in the Thirties arguing with people who thought they were much cleverer than I was.

A) remembered B) remember C) am remembering D) will remember E) am going to remember

27. When he ____ Istanbul, he will inform us that they have arrived not to make us worry about them.

A) will arrive B) is going to arrive C) would arrive D) arrived E) arrives

28. We ____ once a long time ago but I ____ she will remember me.

A) were meeting / hadn't thought B) have met / didn't think C) had met / haven't thought
D) may have met / won't think E) met/don't think

29. I ____ the holiday enormously even though the weather ____ disappointing.

A) enjoy/would have been B) had enjoyed / has been C) have enjoyed / was being
D) enjoyed / was E) am enjoying / had been

30. Do you remember when Joseph ____ from the university and ____ to work as an engineer in our factory?

A) has graduated / has started B) will graduate / will be starting C) graduated / had started
D) graduates / has been starting E) graduated / started