

## VERB TENSE PRACTICE

Student's name: \_\_\_\_\_

### Put the verb in the bracket into the correct forms/tenses

1. I ..... this film twice. (see)
2. The train .....when we got to the station. (just, leave)
3. It is raining now. It began raining two hours ago. So it ..... for two hours. (rain)
4. As soon as Martina (see) ..... the fire, she .....the fire department. (telephone)
5. Before Jennifer won the lottery, she ..... any kind of contest. (not, enter)
6. Every time Parkas sees a movie made in India, he .....homesick. (feel)
7. The last time I .....in Athens, the weather was hot and humid. (be)
8. After the race ....., the celebration began. (win)
9. At this time tomorrow, we ..... our final exam. (take)
10. Peter said he .....a test the following day. (have)
11. I will tell Anna all the news when I ..... her. (see)
12. Before the invention of the steamboat there ..... no way to cross the ocean. (be)
13. He said that he ..... his homework since 7 o'clock. (do)
14. She won't get married until she .....25 years old. (be)
15. After Mary ..... her degree, she intends to work in her father's company. (finish)
16. By the end of this month, I.....English for 6 years. (learn)
17. Up to now, I ..... a lot of information about her. (know)
18. This house .....35,000 pounds in 1980. (cost)
19. I don't remember where and when I.....her. (meet)
20. At this time yesterday I ..... to music. (listen)
21. Bill (have) .....breskfast when I stopped at this house.
22. It (rain).....heavily when I (sleep) ..... yesterday afternoon.
23. He (do) ..... a lot of jobs before he (work).....in this company.
24. After they (visit) ..... Paris, they (go) .....to Manchester.
25. Before I could say anything, they (admit) ..... their mistakes.
26. I (hit) ..... my thumb while I (use) ..... the hammer. Ouch! That (hurt) .....
27. While I (read) .....books in the living room last night, I (hear) ..... a strange noise in the kitchen. I (go) .....to the kitchen, (turn) ..... on the lights. I (hold) .....my break and (listen) ..... carefully. I (realise) ..... that a mouse (chew) .....on something under the cupboard.
28. The vase broke when it (move) ..... to the other room.
29. When I entered his room, I saw him (sleep) ..... in a chair.
30. If only I (have) ..... money with me, I (lend) .....you some.
31. Why are you under the table? You (look) .....for something?
32. David (wash) ..... his hands. He just (repair) .....the TV set
33. The radio (play) .....since 7 a.m. I wish someone would turn it off.
34. Mr. Brown just (finish) .....reading the letter when the telephone on his desk ( ring) .....
35. Those students who ( fail) ..... the exam are going to take another one held in August
36. Hurry up or you (be) ..... late for class.
37. Hurry up or our favourite TV programme ( be) over long before we ( reach) home
38. I (not have) .....much time for entertainment these days.
39. Two robbers (put) .....in prison (escape) .....yesterday.
40. It is 2 years since I (last give) .....presents on Christmas day.
41. Nothing ( do) .....about this problem for months
42. There (be) .....no guests at all since I left.
43. In a few minutes' time, When the clock (strike) .....six, I (wait) .....here for three hours
44. Mr Hai is having his car (wash) .....at the moment.
45. Where's
46. Tom? He said he (be) ..... here at 4 pm.
47. If I (drink) ..... so much coffee, I wouldn't be able to sleep.
48. I'm looking forward to (take) .....a vacation.
49. I'd rather you (do) ..... the test well.
50. I distinctly remember (pay) ..... him. I gave him two dollars
51. Look at those black clouds. It (rain) .....

52. What you (do) ..... after you (go) .....home yesterday?
53. Before leaving home in the morning, she (tell) ..... her mother she (work) .....in the factory that afternoon.
54. I realised that someone (steal) ..... my wallet when I (feel) ..... his hand in my pocket.
55. She (be) .....here but she (go) ..... down with flu.
56. Bill (have) ..... breakfast when I (stop) ..... at his house this morning.
57. Yesterday I (walk) ..... along the street when I (realize) ..... a man with a black beard, whom I ( see ) three times already, (follow) ..... me.
58. What do you think the children ( do ) .....when we get home.
59. Our house (destroy) .....in the storm last night.
60. The police (look) ..... for the painting now.
61. You (find) .....the wallet which you lost yet?
62. He (not, phone) ..... his girlfriend every day.
63. I would like (fax) ..... this document to my office in Hanoi.
64. Before the postage stamp (invent) ....., it was difficult to send a letter to another country.
65. I (pick) ..... you up when you (arrive) ..... at the airport at 9 o'clock tomorrow.
66. It (be) ..... a long day, but by 9 o'clock the children (go) ..... to bed. They (clear) ..... away the supper things and now they (look) ..... forward to a couple of hours in front of the television. Unfortunately the film (be) ..... rather boring. Jim soon (fall) ..... asleep and Susan (start) ..... to think about all her work. She (be) ..... sure she (hear) ..... a noise outside the window, so she (look) ..... up. A shadow (move) ..... slowly through the garden. Her heart (race) ..... She (turn) ..... out the light so that she could hear better. There (be) ..... nobody there. But she (see) .....that it (snow) ..... earlier that evening, and across the grass there (be) ..... a line of footprints. A fox (walk) ..... across right in front of their window, and now it (look) ..... at her from the far corner of the garden.
67. One day a few year ago, I (enter) ..... a small room and (sit) ..... quietly, (look) ..... through the window, (wait) . Time (run) ..... by fast, but my excitement (not let) ..... me (be) ..... aware of it. After five, ten, fifteen minutes (pass) ..... and no one (come) ..... in, my impatience

(reach) ..... a peak. However, nothing (go) .....: it was only that I (arrive) ..... earlier than I (be) ..... supposed to. At last, I (hear) ..... steps; the door (open); a gentleman (come) ..... in. Looking at me and smiling, he (greet) ..... me affably. I (not / respond) ..... to his greeting: I simply (stare) ..... at him and (smile) ..... foolishly. (Gesticulate) ..... expressively, the man (continue) ..... speaking. I (not understand) ..... one word that he (say) ....., nevertheless, he (go) ..... on for forty-five minutes. Finally stopping, he (bow) ..... and (leave) ..... the room. The next day I (be) ..... in the small room again, but that time I (be) ..... able to answer the man's greeting when he (appear) ..... The day before, you (see), ..... (be) ..... my first English lesson.

68. Parents and I came to live in the United States when I was 5 years old. Although my family is now very comfortable, at first we (have) ..... a hard time adjusting to life here. We (think) ..... that everybody in the United States was very rich. Imagine our surprise when we learn that it was hard for many people, my father included, to make a living. My father (work) ..... as a dentist In Europe before we came here 20 years ago. Here he couldn't work as a dentist right away because he hadn't passed the state examination yet. While he was studying for the dentist examination, he worked in a dental laboratory in order to support his family. He (practise) ..... here for 20 years now and has gained some recognition.
69. My mother, too, (be) ..... happy here. She got a degree in finance 5 years ago and now (own) ..... her one profitable copy center. As soon as she (find) ..... some suitable investors, she is going to set up some franchises.
70. I myself (have) ..... a wonderful life. Last year I got my law degree and since then I have been working in a small firm where I am very happy. At the end of 5 years, I (establish) ..... myself as a competent professional.
71. We all have succeeded beyond our wildest dream and are looking forward to even more success. When I die, I know I (live) ..... a good and rewarding life.
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THE END  
GOOD LUCK