

REVIEW PAST TENSES (CÁC THÌ QUÁ KHỨ)

I. Past simple or past continuous.

1. Nga (receive) received Jenny's letter a week ago. Was received
2. Brian (have) was having a difficult exam at 10 o'clock yesterday.
3. We didn't arrive on Tuesday. We (arrive) arrived yesterday.
4. Did the meeting you attended (last) last three hours this morning?
5. Ann was waiting for me when I (come) came.
6. Lan (take) took her younger brother to the zoo last Sunday.
7. Were you (surf) surfing the Internet when I phoned you last night?
8. Lien stayed home last Sunday and (write) wrote several letters.
9. We (have) were having a chat while we (wait) were waiting for our flights.
10. I (walk) was walking along the street when suddenly I (hear) heard footsteps behind me. Somebody (follow) was following me. I was frightened and I (start) started to run.

II. Supply the correct past tense of the verbs.

1. Mr Hung was (be) on holiday last month. He enjoyed it very much.
2. I didn't watch (not watch) television last night. I went to bed early.
3. Mr Johnson had worked (work) for the company for 30 years when he got retired last year.
4. While Tina was bringing the tea glasses, she broke (break) one of them.
5. Fernando told us that he had looked (look) everywhere for the book.
6. When Ann was a student, she rode (ride) a bike to school every day.
7. We both liked (like) the movies last night very much.
8. The police reported that they had finally captured (finally / capture) the thief.
9. It wasn't warm, so I put (put) on my pullover.
10. They had finished (finish) answering the questions before the bell rang.

III. Choose the best answer.

1. What _____ when he came to your house yesterday?
A. **were you doing** B. are you doing C. did you do D. you did
2. Mary is very happy but yesterday she _____ happy.
A. was B. **wasn't** C. were D. weren't
3. Helen _____ a present before she saw Tim.
A. buy B. bought C. **had bought** D. has bought
4. What _____ you _____ during the Math class this morning?
A. do / do B. did / do C. were / do D. **were / doing**
5. By the time we arrived at the railway station, the train _____.

A. left B. was leaving C. had left D. were leaving
6. My father _____ a book when I came home yesterday evening.
A. read B. is reading C. reads D. was reading

7. Man _____ on the Moon in 1969.
 A. land **B. landed** C. was landing D. had landed
8. They _____ dinner and speaking when I saw them.
 A. **were having** C. had C. are having D. have
9. Maria _____ for many hours when the car broke down.
 A. was driving **B. had driven** C. drove D. drive
10. John and Meg were dancing when I _____ there.
 A. arrive **B. arrived** C. had arrived D. arriving

IV. Build sentences using the words given.

1. (we / used / wear / uniforms / when / we / be / schoolchildren.)
 We used to wear uniforms when we were schoolchildren.
2. (he / work / the computer / last night?)
 Did he work on the computer last night?
3. (Lien's parents / wait / her / when / she / get off / plane / this afternoon.)
 Lien's parents were waiting for her when she got off the plane this afternoon.
4. (last summer / we / visit / Ha Long Bay / Cat Ba Island.)
 Last summer, we visited Ha Long Bay and Cat Ba Island.
5. (I / was not / hungry / because / I / already eat / big lunch.)
 I was not hungry because I had already eaten a big lunch.

PART 2:

I. Supply the correct tense of the verbs (past simple or past continuous).

1. We (have) were having a lesson at this time yesterday.
2. My father (listen) was listening to the radio until twelve o'clock last night.
3. I went out on Saturday, but I (not go) didn't go out on Sunday.
4. Tom and Ann (talk) talked on the telephone a few hours ago.
5. We went to the park yesterday and (get) got wet when it rained.
6. I (watch) was watching television when my friend called.
7. The bed was very uncomfortable. I (not sleep) didn't sleep very well.
8. When the teacher (come) came into the classroom, some students were talking with each other.
9. Thomas (drive) was driving very fast when he hit a tree.
10. Last night Mr Johnson was surfing the Internet while his wife (read) was reading a book.

II. Join the sentences with *when* and *while*.

1. The bell rang. I was sleeping.
 The bell rang while I was sleeping.
2. The children were playing in the garden. It started to rain.
 The children were playing in the garden when it started to rain.

3. Mark was running. I saw him.
Mark was running when I saw him.
4. My mum was cooking in the kitchen. I got home.
My mum was cooking in the kitchen
5. I came home. My brother was listening to music.
I came home while my brother was listening to music.

III. Supply the correct tense of the verbs (past simple or past perfect).

1. He knew that he (make) had made a serious mistake.
2. I had eaten dinner before they me.
(phone)phoned
3. The house was very quiet when I got home. Everybody (go) had gone to bed.
4. Mr Nam (play) played with his children after he had taken a shower.
5. The teacher corrected the exercises that he had prepared
(prepare)
6. Helen hadn't known the answer to the question so she didn't raise (not raise) hand up. _____
7. It was clear that he (give) had given us the wrong address.
8. We collected all the rubbish and (throw) threw it into the litter bin.
9. Yesterday evening it (start) started to rain while we were having dinner.
10. A: Did you (arrive) arrive at the theatre in time for the play last night?
B: No, we were late. By the time we got there, it (already / begin) had already begun.
Play (v): chơi
Play (n): vở kịch
In time: vừa kịp lúc
On time: đúng giờ

IV. Choose the best answer to each of the following questions.

1. I saw Jack yesterday morning while I _____ home from school.
A. walked **B. was walking** C. had been walking D. am walking
2. When I was young, I usually _____ up late to study.
A. stay B. staying **C. stayed** D. have stayed
3. Andrew has worked in this factory since we _____ school.
A. leave B. leaving C. had left **D. left**
4. Richard _____ his lunch in the cafeteria yesterday when his mother called him.
A. eating **B. was eating** C. ate D. eat
5. Sorry I'm late. The car _____ down on my way here.
A. **broke** B. was breaking C. break D. broken

6. My uncle _____ Italian food before he went to that restaurant.

A. tries B. was trying **C. hadn't tried** D. try

7. I was learning maths when my father _____ back.

A. comes **B. came** C. has come D. is coming

8. While I was staying at your house yesterday, my mother _____ in her office.

A. **was working** B. worked C. is working D. works

9. I missed the flight because the plane _____ off before I got to the airport.

A. took B. takes C. is taking **D. had taken**

10. When Mary went out to play, she _____ her homework.

A. done already B. has already done
C. already did **D. had already done**

