

Class 9 – Mixed Tenses

Worksheet 3

A. Choose the correct tense

Choose the best answer.

1. I usually **walk / am walking / have walked** to school, but today my sister is driving me.
 2. We **have known / have been knowing / knew** each other since primary school.
 3. Mark **was cooking / cooked / had cooked** dinner when the fire alarm went off.
 4. By the time the police arrived, the thief **escaped / had escaped / has escaped**.
 5. Look at Sarah! She **runs / is running / has run** towards the bus.
 6. I **didn't see / haven't seen / wasn't seeing** Jake at school yesterday.
 7. She **has been practising / practises / practised** the piano for two hours.
 8. This time next week, we **will relax / will be relaxing / have relaxed** on the beach.
 9. Don't worry. I **will help / am helping / have helped** you with your homework.
 10. We **are going to visit / will have visited / visited** our grandparents this weekend. We have already made the plans.
 11. By the end of this school year, she **will learn / will have learned / has learned** a lot of new vocabulary.
 12. When I called him, he **already went / had already gone / has already gone** to bed.
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B. Complete the sentences with the correct form

1. Every morning, Julia _____ (drink) a glass of orange juice.
2. Please be quiet. The students _____ (take) a test.
3. I _____ (not / finish) my book yet.
4. We _____ (wait) for the train when we heard the announcement.
5. He _____ (lose) his wallet last Saturday.
6. They _____ (live) in this house for ten years.
7. Before moving to Germany, my uncle _____ (work) in France for six years.
8. Look at those dark clouds! It _____ (storm).
9. I think our teacher _____ (give) us a test next week.
10. At 6 p.m. tomorrow, I _____ (have) dinner with my family.
11. By tomorrow morning, she _____ (complete) the presentation.
12. How long _____ you _____ (learn) English?
13. When we arrived at the restaurant, our friends _____ (already / order) their food.

14. While my father _____ (repair) his car, my mother was preparing lunch.
15. I _____ (never / try) sushi before.
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C. Signal Words

Write the correct tense next to each sentence.

Choose from:

Simple Present – Present Progressive – Present Perfect – Present Perfect Progressive – Simple Past – Past Progressive – Past Perfect – Past Perfect Progressive – will-Future – going-to Future – Future Progressive – Future Perfect

1. I have already cleaned my room.
→ _____
 2. She was talking on the phone when I arrived.
→ _____
 3. They have been studying since 4 p.m.
→ _____
 4. We visited Rome last summer.
→ _____
 5. He plays tennis twice a week.
→ _____
 6. Look! The baby is crying.
→ _____
 7. By Friday, I will have finished the assignment.
→ _____
 8. When I arrived, they had already eaten.
→ _____
 9. This time tomorrow, I will be travelling to Munich.
→ _____
 10. I think she will pass the exam.
→ _____
 11. They are going to buy a new car.
→ _____
 12. She had been waiting for 45 minutes before the bus arrived.
→ _____
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D. Since or For?

Complete each sentence with **since** or **for**.

1. I have lived here _____ 2021.
 2. She has been studying _____ three hours.
 3. We have known each other _____ primary school.
 4. He has worked at the company _____ six months.
 5. They have been waiting _____ 20 minutes.
 6. My parents have been married _____ 2005.
 7. I haven't seen him _____ Monday.
 8. She has played the violin _____ five years.
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E. When / While / Before / After

Complete the sentences using the correct tense.

1. While I _____ (walk) home, I _____ (meet) my English teacher.
 2. When we _____ (arrive) at the airport, the plane _____ (already / leave).
 3. Before Sarah _____ (go) to bed, she _____ (finish) her homework.
 4. After they _____ (eat) dinner, they _____ (watch) a film.
 5. While Tom _____ (play) computer games, his mother _____ (clean) the kitchen.
 6. When I _____ (open) the door, I _____ (realise) that I _____ (forget) my keys.
 7. After we _____ (finish) the test, we _____ (leave) the classroom.
 8. While she _____ (study), her brother _____ (listen) to music.
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F. Find the tense mistake

Each sentence contains **one tense mistake**. Correct it.

1. I am going to school by bus every day.
2. She has visited London last year.
3. We were watching TV when the lights have gone out.
4. He has been living here since five years.
5. When I arrived, my friends have already left.
6. Look! The children will play in the garden.
7. I will have finished my homework yesterday.
8. She was knowing the answer.
9. They are waiting for the bus since 8 o'clock.
10. By next month, he will finish his course.

G. Translation – Mixed Tenses

Translate into English.

1. Ich habe gerade meine Hausaufgaben beendet.
 2. Wir spielten Fußball, als es plötzlich zu regnen begann.
 3. Sie hatte bereits gegessen, als ich sie anrief.
 4. Ich lerne seit drei Jahren Deutsch.
 5. Morgen um diese Zeit werde ich gerade meine Prüfung schreiben.
 6. Bis nächste Woche werden wir das Projekt abgeschlossen haben.
 7. Ich glaube, dass er die Prüfung bestehen wird.
 8. Schau diese Wolken an! Es wird bald regnen.
 9. Als ich nach Hause kam, hatte mein Bruder schon geschlafen.
 10. Sie wartet seit 30 Minuten auf den Bus.
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H. ★ Tense Detective

Read the text and put the verbs into the correct tense.

The Missing Phone

Yesterday, Daniel _____ (come) home from school and immediately _____ (realise) that his phone was missing.

He _____ (use) it on the bus, but he couldn't remember where he had put it.

He _____ (already / check) his school bag when his mother asked him what was wrong.

Daniel _____ (look) everywhere while his mother _____ (prepare) dinner.

After they _____ (search) the house for nearly an hour, Daniel suddenly remembered something.

He _____ (leave) his phone on the kitchen table that morning!

His mother laughed and said, "You _____ (worry) about nothing for the last hour!"

Today, Daniel _____ (keep) his phone in his school bag all day.

Next time, he _____ (probably / be) much more careful.

I. Challenge – Rewrite the sentences

Rewrite each sentence using the tense in brackets.

1. I started learning English three years ago.

(Present Perfect Progressive)

→ _____

2. She finished her homework before she watched TV.

(Past Perfect)

→ _____

3. They will finish the project before Friday.

(Future Perfect)

→ _____

4. He is working on his presentation now.

(Present Progressive – negative)

→ _____

5. We went to London last year.

(Present Perfect – question)

→ _____

6. Sarah was reading when her mother came home.

(Past Progressive – question)

→ _____