ADVANCED ENGLISH GRAMMAR TESTS

Mixed Tenses Test Exercises – Multiple Choice Questions With Answers – Advanced Level 1

30 questions · Choose the correct answer. Online test and answer key with explanations:
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Name: _____ Date: _____ Score: _____ / 30

1. _____ I was entering the room, the phone rang.
A) During **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) would be **B)** was
C) is **D)** has been
E) should be

3. The 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 on 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)** _____ / leave
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)** have left
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 / was forgetting
B) is arriving / have forgotten
C) arrives / had forgotten
D) is going to arrive / was forgotten
E) will be arriving / am forgetting

13. I met him at the door just at the time the 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 / would 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 / is wanting
B) appoints / wants
C) is appointing / was wanting
D) will appoint / wants
E) appointed / has wanted

24. We _____ our work in the garden by the time he _____ from the pharmacy.
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 centres 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. Even today, 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 _____ in Istanbul, he will inform us that they have arrived so that we don't 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