

Exercise I

Dear Jane,

Well, here I am in Africa. I (1) to come here and now I have finally made it. We (2) yesterday afternoon. As we (3) from the airport to the safari lodge, we saw some wild animals running in front of us.

Right now I (4) some breakfast and then we (5) a jeep into the Serengeti National Park. Everything (6) I hope we (7) lots of animals. You know, the (8) animals I can see, the happier I am. It's only the first day and I am really enjoying myself already. I wish you (9) here with me! If you (10) to look after your sick mother, you'd probably be in Africa now!

Anyway, I have to finish now. I'll write again soon.

Love to all, Judy

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| 1. | A. will always want | B. have been wanted | C. have always wanted | D. have been always wanting |
| 2. | A. arrived | B. have arrived | C. were arrived | D. had arrived |
| 3. | A. were driving | B. have been driving | C. drive | D. are driving |
| 4. | A. have | B. had | C. were having | D. am having |
| 5. | A. will take | B. will have taken | C. are taking | D. will be taken |
| 6. | A. have been arranging | B. had arranged | C. has been arranged | D. have been arranged |
| 7. | A. will see | B. saw | C. are seeing | D. will have seen |
| 8. | A. many | B. more | C. much | D. few |
| 9. | A. are | B. will be | C. was | D. were |
| 10. | A. not have | B. wouldn't have | C. hadn't | D. didn't have |
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Exercise II

James (1) on his mobile phone when suddenly a deer (2) out of the forest, just in front of his car. The car ran off the road and into a tree. James (3) but he (4) to take the car to a garage. The repairs (5) as simple as he had thought. He wasn't sure if he (6) able to pay the bill. 'The stupid animal made me (7) so sharply! I wish the deer (8) out of the forest,' he said to himself. 'Or perhaps I (9) my mobile at home then... I (10) on my mobile while driving,' he promised.

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| 1. | A. will be talking | B. has been talking | C. talked | D. was talking |
| 2. | A. ran | B. has run | C. run | D. was run |

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| 3. | A. hadn't been hurt | B. hadn't hurt | C. didn't hurt | D. wasn't hurt |
| 4. | A. has had | B. had | C. has | D. had had |
| 5. | A. wasn't | B. haven't been | C. weren't | D. didn't be |
| 6. | A. would be | B. will be | C. has been | D. is |
| 7. | A. brake | B. to brake | C. braking | D. braked |
| 8. | A. not run | B. wouldn't run | C. didn't run | D. hadn't run |
| 9. | A. have left | B. should have left | C. should leave | D. would leave |
| 10. | A. am not talking | B. will never talk | C. can't have talked | D. never am going to |
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Exercise III

When Bill returned home, the house was unusually quiet. His parents **(1)** for him in silence. In fact, they **(2)** on the sofa for an hour. They both looked nervous, but everyone in the family seemed nervous at the moment. They were expecting Bill's exam results any time.

'A letter **(3)** for you,' said Bill's father, holding it out.

'Thank you,' Bill replied. He took the letter quickly and **(4)** it open.

'What a pity,' said Bill, looking at the letter. Bill's mother gasped and his father started to comfort her.

They could **(5)** believe it...

'But I've passed!' he exclaimed. 'Seven grades A's. What a pity I only got a 'B' in Chemistry! I wish I **(6)** more!'

'Congratulations, son,' his father sighed with relief. His mum looked a little confused. Bill quickly **(7)** the letter – an invitation to a party. If his parents **(8)** his real results, which **(9)** the day before, they would never let him **(10)** to the party.

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| 1. | A. were waiting | B. had waited | C. have been waiting | D. waited |
| 2. | A. had sat | B. had been sitting | C. were sitting | D. have been sitting |
| 3. | A. was arriving | B. had just arrived | C. just arrived | D. has just arrived |
| 4. | A. teared | B. has torn | C. tore | D. was torn |
| 5. | A. hard | B. hardly | C. harder | D. hardlier |
| 6. | A. would learn | B. have been learning | C. was learning | D. had learnt |
| 7. | A. hid | B. has hidden | C. hid | D. was hiding |
| 8. | A. knew | B. have known | C. would know | D. know |
| 9. | A. had delivered | B. would deliver | C. was being delivered | D. had been delivered |
| 10. | A. go | B. to go | C. going | D. to going |

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Exercise IV

Bernie **(1)** up and looked at the bedside clock. It was 3.25 in the morning. 'Much too early,' he said to himself. He was sure he had remembered **(2)** the alarm. He went back to sleep although today he was feeling especially responsible as he had the plane tickets for the football team, and they **(3)** to meet at the airport at 7.00.

Suddenly Bernie woke up again and looked at the bedside clock. It still said 3.25. He **(4)** asleep when he saw sunlight coming in through the curtains. 'Oh, no!', Bernie thought, desperately looking for his watch. It said 7.05. Then the phone made him **(5)** out of bed. 'What has happened to you?', a voice asked. 'It's 7.05. The plane **(6)** at 7.45!' 'I'll be there as soon as I **(7)**, ' Bernie promised. He put on the first clothes he could find, picked up his bag, took his car keys and ran out of the door...

Bernie woke up and looked at the bedside clock. It was 3.25 in the morning. He could **(8)** believe it. A nurse came over. 'Where am I?', he asked. 'In hospital,' she answered. 'I wish I **(9)** somewhere else,' he replied. 'If you had been more careful, you **(10)** an accident.'

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| 1. | A. waked | B. had woken | C. had been waking | D. woke |
| 2. | A. to set | B. setting | C. set | D. had set |
| 3. | A. had agreed | B. agreed | C. were agreed | D. have agreed |
| 4. | A. felt | B. has just fallen | C. just fell | D. was just falling |
| 5. | A. jump | B. jumping | C. to jump | D. was jumping |
| 6. | A. would leave | B. leaves | C. was leaving | D. will leave |
| 7. | A. would be able to | B. could | C. will be able | D. can |
| 8. | A. hard | B. hardly | C. harder | D. hardliest |
| 9. | A. would be | B. were | C. will be | D. have been |
| 10. | A. could have | B. wouldn't have | C. wouldn't have had | D. didn't have |

Exercise V

As a police officer, I was very upset when my motorbike disappeared from outside my house last month. When I found out that over twenty motorbikes **(1)** in my area in the previous six months, I promised myself that I **(2)** the thief.

Yesterday the investigation **(3)** to an end. I could hardly believe my eyes when I saw the criminal who **(4)** the police station. I identified him... as my next-door neighbour. 'If I had known him better, I **(5)** him about my new motorbike,' I thought. 'I wish I **(6)** more careful then.' At the moment the thief **(7)** by my colleagues. I think they'll make him **(8)** some time in prison and I hope he **(9)** anything again. Unfortunately, my motorbike **(10)** yet.

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| 1. | A. were stealing | B. had stolen | C. had been stolen | D. were stolen |
| 2. | A. would catch | B. would be caught | C. will catch | D. will be catching |
| 3. | A. came | B. had come | C. has come | D. has been coming |
| 4. | A. would enter | B. was entering | C. entering | D. has entered |
| 5. | A. wouldn't be told | B. wouldn't tell | C. didn't tell | D. wouldn't have told |
| 6. | A. was | B. had been | C. has been | D. would be |
| 7. | A. is questioned | B. is questioning | C. was questioned | D. is being questioned |
| 8. | A. spend | B. to spend | C. spending | D. spent |
| 9. | A. is never stolen | B. has never stolen | C. will never steal | D. never steal |
| 10. | A. has not been found | B. wasn't found | C. hasn't found | D. isn't founded |

Exercise VI

Some time ago I **(1)** for a journalist's position on the newspaper the "Daily Express". I really wanted the job so I **(2)** what to say very carefully long before I **(3)** about the interview. While I **(4)**, one of the men made me **(5)** why **(6)** to work for them. I said I **(7)** working for the "Daily Express" because it was much better than all the other papers, like, for example, "The Sun". 'Only idiots work there,' I added. At this point one interviewer said to the other, 'It **(8)** almost a year since we started working there. Am I right?' Probably, if I **(9)** that, I **(10)** the job.

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| 1. | A. have applied | B. had applied | C. applied | D. was applied |
| 2. | A. had planned | B. planned | C. was planning | D. have planned |
| 3. | A. informed | B. had informed | C. was informing | D. was informed |

4. **A.** interviewed **B.** was interviewed **C.** was interviewing **D.** was being
interviewed
5. **A.** say **B.** to say **C.** said **D.** saying
6. **A.** did I want **B.** wanted I **C.** I wanted **D.** would I want
7. **A.** would enjoy **B.** enjoy **C.** will enjoy **D.** am enjoying
8. **A.** has been **B.** is **C.** was **D.** be
9. **A.** not said **B.** didn't say **C.** hadn't said **D.** wouldn't say
10. **A.** would get **B.** would have got **C.** have got **D.** had got