

# PROGRESS TEST

## Czasy - Tenses

I. Put the verbs in the correct tense form.

When the war ..... **broke** ..... (break) out my father, who ..... **was** ..... (be) then a boy of eleven, ..... **was staying** ..... (stay) abroad with his parents. They ..... **had gone** ..... (go) to Cairo where my grandfather - a renowned scholar ..... **was visiting** ..... (visit) his French friend - a famous mathematician who ..... **had been living** ..... (live) in Egypt for about ten years. When the news of the war ..... **spread** ..... (spread) across Europe, my father and his parents ..... **decided** ..... (decide) to return home where they ..... **had left** ..... (leave) their family, friends and all their belongings. On October 13<sup>th</sup>, they ..... **got** ..... (get) on board of an English plane to Madrid. But while they ..... **were flying** ..... (fly) over the Mediterranean, one of the engines ..... **broke** ..... (break) down and the plane ..... **fell** ..... (fall) into the sea. My grandparents ..... **died** ..... (die) but luckily my father ..... **survived** ..... (survive) the crash. Some Spanish fishermen who ..... **were fishing** ..... (fish) in the area ..... **saw** ..... (see) the catastrophe and ..... **hurried** ..... (hurry) to rescue the survivors. However, by the time they ..... **arrived** ..... (arrive) in the place of the crash, all the other passengers ..... **had died** ..... (die) of hypothermia. My father ..... **was** ..... (be) in a bad state, too but the fishermen's quick help ..... **saved** ..... (save) his life. They ..... **took** ..... (take) him to hospital and later when he ..... **got** ..... (get) better they ..... **made** ..... (make) him stay with them in their small fishing village. My father ..... **had been living** ..... (live) with a poor family of a Spanish fisherman for five years until the war ..... **came** ..... (come) to a definite end. Then, he ..... **made** ..... (make) up his mind to finally return home.

Fans from all over the world ..... **have been arriving** ..... (arrive) in Edmonton, Canada, since last week. They ..... **will be taking** ..... (take) part in a great three-day concert that ..... **begins** ..... (begin) tomorrow. The organisers ..... **have already sold** ..... (already/sell) out all the tickets, so those who ..... **didn't book** ..... (not book) them in advance ..... **will have** ..... (have) no chance of seeing the concert. A great number of rock stars ..... **promised** ..... (promise) to appear live on stage and the thousands of fans ..... **hope** ..... (hope) to hear their favourite numbers. 'There's nothing like a live performance.' - ..... **says** ..... (say) one fan who ..... **have come** ..... (come) from as far as Hungary. Some others ..... **believe** ..... (believe) they ..... **will meet** ..... (meet) their favourite musicians downtown and ..... **will take** ..... (take) photos of them.

'I ..... (ask) Bruce Springsteen for his autograph.' - says a young fan from Argentina. The concert ..... (go) on day and night until Wednesday and it is estimated that before it ..... (end), the musicians ..... (play) over five hundred songs. The local shop and hotel owners ..... (expect) the event for months. They are sure they ..... (make) a business of their lives. 'I ..... (store) over one thousand litres of mineral water and half a ton of snacks.' - says one of the shopkeepers. About one thousand policemen and guards ..... (keep) order during the concert and over three hundred doctors and nurses ..... (provide) medical assistance to those in need.

It ..... (be) almost two months since we last ..... (see) our son David. Ever since he ..... (set) out on his lonely travel across South America, he ..... (write) to us several times. In his last letter, which we ..... (receive) yesterday, he writes that he ..... (just/meet) some friendly natives and ..... (spend) some time with them. We are very glad that he ..... (enjoy) himself a lot, but we are a bit worried about him, too. For many years, David ..... (dream) of this trip and ..... (collect) money to make this dream come true. Finally, he ..... (succeed) in collecting enough and on June 12<sup>th</sup> this year he ..... (get) on a plane to River Plate where his great adventure ..... (begin). Honestly speaking, before this trip, he ..... (never/go) abroad alone but because he ..... (always/be) an adventure seeker, we are convinced he ..... (know) how to overcome any possible difficulties. David ..... (already/visit) the most interesting places in Brazil and Bolivia and now he ..... (head) for Peru which he ..... (always/consider) to be the most wonderful place on Earth. I hope the reality that he ..... (experience) there ..... (match) his imagination of the place. David ..... (always/love) mountains, so it's a sure thing that the Andes ..... (make) a great impression on him, but we hope he ..... (not want) to do any climbing alone. That might be dangerous. David ..... (estimate) that before he ..... (return) home, he ..... (make) over three thousand kilometres in South America alone on foot and hitchhiking. We ..... (already/look) forward to his return.

