



Verb Tenses Exercise - Mixed 2

Fill in the blanks using the correct form of the verbs.

1. The minister had hardly finished his speech when the earthquake (shake) the building.
2. Everybody will be at the office at about 08:30 tomorrow as the meeting (start) at nine o'clock.
3. The candidate who we had interviewed before we (speak) to any others is still my favorite.
4. While climbing the mountain, we (encounter) a strange animal which I'd never seen before.
5. The chairman was sure that his proposal would be accepted as no other member (oppose) it up to that time.
6. I wasn't surprised to hear that Monica (have) an accident because she is such a reckless driver.
7. Since the day the management changed and started running risky experiments, very strange incidents (take place) within the research complex.
- 8-9. Urbanization (always / be) a problem causing several environmental issues ever since the rate of migration (increase) after the industrial revolution.
10. When I (come) home this evening, my parents had gone out for a walk.
11. By the time the troops (arrive), the war will have ended.
12. By the year 2050, linguists (study) the Indo-European language family for more than 200 years.
13. The increase in fuel prices (become) a major problem for people for the last ten years, therefore, during this time many people have preferred to sell their cars and buy smaller ones.
14. By the time he was 14, Wolfgang Mozart (compose) an enviable number of musical pieces.

15. Archaeologists (explain) recently how an ancient underground city in Cappadocia was used for making cheese and wine for years.
16. I was very surprised when he accepted to eat meat since I (always / assume) that he was a vegetarian.
17. I (play) tennis tomorrow but I won't be able to do that because I have injured my right ankle.
18. We (visit) the seashore many times before, but last summer we enjoyed ourselves more than ever.
19. According to a study, thousands of vending machines (need / modify) before we can use the new coins.

Score =

Correct answers:

1. shook
2. starts
3. spoke
4. encountered
5. had opposed
6. had had
7. have taken place
8. has always been
9. increased
10. came
11. arrive
12. will have been studying
13. has become
14. had composed
15. have explained
16. had always assumed
17. was going to play
18. had visited
19. will need to be modified