

BÀI TẬP TỔNG HỢP VỀ CÁC THÌ TRONG TIẾNG ANH

EXERCISE 1: Use the correct form of verbs in brackets.

1. In all the world, there (be) _____ only 14 mountains that (reach) _____ above 8,000 meters.
2. He sometimes (come) _____ to see his parents.
3. When I (come) _____, she (leave) _____ for Dalat ten minutes ago.
4. My grandfather never (fly) _____ in an airplane, and he has no intention of ever doing so.
5. We just (decide) _____ that we (undertake) _____ the job.
6. He told me that he (take) _____ a trip to California the following week.
7. I knew that this road (be) _____ too narrow.
8. Right now I (attend) _____ class. Yesterday at this time I (attend) _____ class.
9. Tomorrow I'm going to leave for home. When I (arrive) _____ at the airport, Mary (wait) _____ for me.
10. Margaret was born in 1950. By last year, she (live) _____ on this earth for 55 years .
11. The traffic was very heavy. By the time I (get) _____ to Mary's party, everyone already (arrive) _____
12. I will graduate in June. I (see) _____ you in July. By the time I (see) _____ you, I (graduate) _____.
13. I (visit) _____ my uncle's home regularly when I (be) _____ a child.
14. That book (be) _____ on the table for weeks. You (not read) _____ it yet ?
15. David (wash) _____ his hands. He just (repair) _____ the TV set.
16. You (be) _____ here before? Yes, I (spend) _____ my holidays here last year.
17. We never (meet) _____ him. We don't know what he (look) _____ like.
18. The car (be) _____ ready for him by the time he (come) _____ tomorrow.
19. On arriving at home I (find) _____ that she just (leave) _____ a few minutes before.
20. When we (arrive) _____ in London tonight, it probably (rain) _____.
21. It (rain) _____ hard. We can't do anything until it (stop) _____
22. Last night we (watch) _____ TV when the power (fail) _____.
23. That evening we (stay) _____ up to talk about the town where he (live) _____ for some years.
24. I (sit) _____ down for a rest while the shoes (repair) _____.
25. Half way to the office Paul (turn) _____ round and (go) _____ back home because he (forget) _____ to turn the gas off.
26. London (change) _____ a lot since we first (come) _____ to live here.
27. While we (talk) _____ on the phone the children (start) _____ fighting and (break) _____ a window
28. He used to talk to us for hours about all the interesting things he (do) _____ in his life.
29. You know she (stand) _____ looking at that picture for the last twenty minutes.
30. I (spend) _____ a lot of time travelling since I (get) _____ this new job.
31. When we (be) _____ at school we all (study) _____ Latin.
32. When I (meet) _____ him, he (work) _____ as a waiter for a year.

33. After he (finish) _____ breakfast he (sit) _____ down to write some letters.
34. She (have) _____ a hard life, but she's always smiling.
35. I think Jim (be) _____ out of town.

EXERCISE 2: Choose the best answer among A, B, C, or D.

1. When I last saw him, he _____ in London.
A. has lived B. is living C. was living D. has been living
2. We _____ Dorothy since last Saturday.
A. don't see B. haven't seen C. didn't see D. hadn't seen
3. The train _____ half an hour ago.
A. has been leaving B. left C. has left D. had left
4. Jack _____ the door.
A. has just painted B. paint C. will have painted D. painting
5. My sister _____ for you since yesterday.
A. is looking B. was looking C. has been looking D. looked
6. I _____ Texas State University now.
A. am attending B. attend
C. was attending D. attended
7. He has been selling motorbikes _____.
A. ten years ago B. since ten years C. for ten years ago D. for ten years
8. Christopher Columbus _____ American more than 500 years ago.
A. discovered B. has discovered C. had discovered D. had been discovering
9. He fell down when he _____ towards the church.
A. run B. runs C. was running D. had run
10. We _____ there when our father died.
A. still lived B. lived still C. was still lived D. was still living
11. They _____ table tennis when their father comes back home.

A. will play B. will be playing C. play D. would play

12. By Christmas, I _____ for Mr. Smith for six years.

A. will have been working B. will work C. have been working D. will be working

13. I _____ in the room right now.

A. am being B. was being C. have been being D. am

14. I _____ to New York three times this year.

A. have been B. was C. were D. had been

15. I'll come and see you before I _____ for the States.

A. leave B. will leave C. have left D. shall leave

16. The little girl asked what _____ to her friend.

A. has happened B. happened
C. had happened D. would have been happened

17. John _____ a book when I saw him.

A. is reading B. read C. was reading D. reading

18. He said he _____ return later.

A. will B. would C. can D. would be

19. Jack _____ the door.

A. has just opened B. open
C. have opened D. opening

20. I have been waiting for you _____.

A. since early morning B. since 9 a.m
C. for two hours D. All are correct

21. Almost everyone _____ for home by the time we arrived.

A. leave B. left C. leaves D. had left

22. By the age of 25, he _____ two famous novels.

A. wrote B. writes C. has written D. had written

23. When her husband was in the army, Mary _____to him twice a week.

A. was reading B. wrote C. was written D. had written

24. I couldn't cut the grass because the lawn mower _____a few days previously.

A. broke down B. has been broken

C. had broken down D. breaks down

25. I have never played badminton before. This is the first time I _____to play.

A. try B. tried C. have tried D. am trying

26. Since _____, I have heard nothing from him.

A. he had left B. he left C. he has left D. he was left

27. After I _____lunch, I looked for my bag.

A. had B. had had C. have has D. have had

28. By the end of next year, George _____English for two years.

A. will have learned B. will learn

C. has learned D. would learn

29. The man got out of the car, _____round to the back and opened the book.

A. walking B. walked C. walks D. walk

30. Henry _____into the restaurant when the writer was having dinner.

A. was going B. went C. has gone D. did go

31. He will take the dog out for a walk as soon as he _____dinner.

A. finish B. finishes C. will finish D. finishing

32. I will be glad if he _____with us.

A. had gone B. did go C. went D. goes

33 Ask her to come and see me when she _____her work.

A. finish B. has finished C. finished D. finishing

34. Turn off the gas. Don't you see that the kettle _____?

- A. boil B. boils C. is boiling D. boiled

35. Tom and Mary _____ for Vietnam tomorrow.

- A. leave B. are leaving C. leaving D. are left

36. He always _____ for a walk in the evening.

- A. go B. is going C. goes D. going

37. Her brother _____ in Canada at present.

- A. working B. works C. is working D. work

38. I _____ to the same barber since last year.

- A. am going B. have been going C. go D. had gone

39. Her father _____ when she was a small girl.

- A. dies B. died C. has died D. had died

40. Last week, my professor promised that he _____ today.

- A. would come B. will come C. comes D. coming

EXERCISE 3: Choose the underlined part in each sentence (A, B,C, or D) that needs correcting.

1. After Mrs. Wang had returned to her house from work, she

- A B C

was cooking dinner.

D

2. Jimmy threw the ball high in the air, and Betty catching it when it came down.

- A B C D

3. Linda has worn her new yellow dress only once since she buys it.

- A B C D

4. Last week Mark told me that he got very bored with his present job

- A B

and is looking for a new one.

C D

5. Having fed the dog, he was sat down to his own meal.

A B C D

6. When I turned on my computer, I was shocked to find some junk mail,

A B

and I delete it all.

C D

7. They are going to have to leave soon and so do we.

A B C D

8. The boss laughed when the secretary has told him that she really

A B

needed a pay rise.

C D

9. The telephone rang several times and then stop before I could answer it.

A B C D

10. Debbie, whose father is an excellent tennis player, has been playing

A B C

tennis since ten years.

D

11. I have seen lots of interesting places when I went on holiday last summer.

A B C D

12. When my cat heard a noise in the bushes, she stopped moving and listen intently.

A B C D

13. I think it's time you change your way of living.

A B C D

14. Roger felt the outside of his pocket to make sure his wallet is still there.

A B C D

15. When I'm shopping in the supermarket, I ran into an old friend who I

A B

hadn't met for five years.

C D

16. The police arrested the man while he is having dinner in a restaurant.

A B C D

17. Peter and Wendy first met in 2006, and they are married for three years now.

A B C D

18. Some people are believing there is life on other planets.

A B C D

19. Recently, the island of Hawaii had been the subject of

A B

intensive research on the occurrence of earthquakes.

C D

20. Every morning, the sun shines in my bedroom window and waking

A B C

me up.

D

21. The man died as a result of falling asleep while he drives.

A B C D

22. I haven't finished the report yet, but by the time you return I

A

B

C

will certainly complete it.

D

23. Caroline has worn her new yellow dress only once since she buys it.

A

B

C

D

24. We'll be cycled to Hoa's village at this time next Sunday.

A

B

C

D

25. What will you do when your friends won't come ?

A

B C

D

26. Someone was knocking at the door when I was doing the washing up.

A

B

C

D

27. My friend didn't drink any beer since we came to live here.

A B

C

D

28. We have written to each other when we were in primary school.

A

B

C

D

29. After breakfast, I'm gone to walk to school with my friends.

A

B

C

D

30. Did he go to the pop concert next weekend for a change?

A

B

C

D

EXERCISE 4: Choose the correct sentence among A, B, C or D which has the same meaning as the given one.

1. Eight years ago we started writing to each other.

A. We have rarely written to each other for eight years.

B. Eight years is a long time for us to write to each other.

C. We wrote to each other eight years ago.

D. We have been writing to each other for eight years.

2. *The boy was so lazy that he couldn't stay up late to learn his lessons.*

A. The boy was lazy enough not to stay up late to learn his lessons.

B. The boy was too lazy to stay up late to learn his lessons.

C. The boy was lazy enough but he stayed up late to learn his lessons.

D. The boy was lazy enough to stay up late to learn his lessons.

3. *My father is tired of seeing any violent films.*

A. My father hasn't seen a violent film.

B. My father has enjoyed all the violent films he has ever seen.

C. My father is worried about missing the next violent film.

D. My father never wants to see another violent film.

4. *As soon as he waved his hand, she turned away.*

A. He saw her turn away and he waved his hand.

B. No sooner had he waved his hand than she turned away.

C. She turned away because he waved his hand too early.

D. Although she turned away, he waved his hand.

5. *John wishes he had remembered to send Mary a Christmas card.*

A. John regrets not to send Mary a Christmas card.

B. John regrets forgetting not to send Mary a Christmas card.

C. John regrets not remembering sending Mary a Christmas card.

D. John regrets forgetting to send Mary a Christmas card.

6. *My father hasn't smoked cigarettes for a month.*

A. It's a month since my father last smoked cigarettes.

B. It's a month ago that my father smoked cigarettes.

- C. It's a month that my father hasn't smoked cigarettes.
- D. It's a cigarette that my father smoked a month ago.

7. *Having finished their work, the workers expected to be paid.*

- A. The workers expected to be paid because they had finished their work.
- B. Having their work finishing, the workers expected to be paid.
- C. Having expected to be paid, the workers finished their work.
- D. Having been finished their work, the workers expected to be paid.

8. *Mr. Brown bought this car five years ago.*

- A. Mr. Brown started to buy this car for five years.
- B. It has been five years when Mr. Brown has bought this car.
- C. Mr. Brown has had this car for five years .
- D. It is five years ago since Mr. Brown has bought this car.

9. *John used to write home once a week when he was abroad.*

- A. John doesn't write home once a week any longer.
- B. John enjoyed being written home every week when he was abroad.
- C. John never forgot to write a weekly letter home when he was abroad.
- D. When he was abroad he remembered to write home every week.

10. *I haven't enjoyed myself so much for years.*

- A. It's years since I enjoyed myself so much.
- B. It's years since I have enjoyed myself so much.
- C. It was years since I had enjoyed myself so much.
- D. It has been years since I have enjoyed myself so much.

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Exercise 1:

1. are - reach
2. comes
3. came - had left
4. has never flown
5. have just decided - would undertake
6. would take
7. was
8. am attending - was attending
9. arrive - will be waiting
10. had lived
11. got - had already arrived
12. will see - see - will have graduated
13. visited - was
14. has been - haven't you read
15. is washing - has just repaired
16. Have you been - spent
17. have never met - looks
18. will have been - comes
19. found - had just left
20. arrive - will probably be raining
21. is raining - stops
22. were watching - failed
23. stayed - had lived
24. sat - were being repaired
25. turned - went - had forgotten
26. has changed - came
27. were talking - started - broke
28. had done
29. has been standing
30. have spent - got
31. were - studied
32. met - had been working
33. had finished - sat
34. has
35. has been

Exercise 2:

1. C 2. B 3. B 4. A 5. C 6. A 7. D 8. A 9. C 10. A 11. B 12. A 13. D

14. A 15. A 16. C 17. C 18. B 19. A 20. D 21. D 22. D 23. B 24. C 25. C 26. B
27. B 28. A 29. B 30. B 31. B 32. D 33. B 34. C 35. B 36. C 37. C 38. B 39. B
40. A

Exercise 3:

1. D. was cooking → cooked
2. C. catching → caught
3. D. buys → bought
4. C. is looking → was looking
5. B. was sat → sat
6. D. delete → deleted
7. C. so do → so are
8. A. has told → told
9. C. stop → stopped
10. D. since → for
11. A. have seen → saw
12. C. listen → listened
13. B. change → changed
14. D. is still → was still
15. A. I'm shopping → was shopping
16. C. is having → was having
17. C. are → have been
18. B. are believing → believe
19. B. had been → has been
20. C. waking → wakes
21. D. drives → was driving

22. D. will certainly complete → will have certainly completed

23. D. buys → bought

24. A. We'll be cycled → We'll be cycling

25. D. won't come → don't come

26. A. was knocking → knocked

27. A. didn't drink → hasn't drunk

28. C. when → since

29. B. gone → going

30. A. Did → Will

Exercise 4:

1.D 2. B 3. D 4. B 5. D 6. A 7. A 8. C 9. A 10. A