

## Select The Correct Tense

1] Identify the past perfect tense from the options given below:

- (A) They came immediately
- (B) The rain had stopped**
- (C) Rajesh entered the school
- (D) We called them back

### Explanation

Option A, C & D are simple past, where option B is past perfect tense. According to the rule, **had** used in terms of speaking about the past perfect tense. Thus option B is correct answer.

2] Select the correct tense.

He..... (suffer) from colour blindness since his birth.

- (A) have been suffering
- (B) had been suffering
- (C) has been suffering**
- (D) will be suffering

### Explanation:

According to the tenses key, **been** denotes the perfect continuous tenses. **Has** is present tense. So, **has been** shows that, the option C is belong to present perfect continuous tense. The subject is suffering from color blindness from his birth to till now. So, at present too, it continuous.. Hence it is suits well with option C.

3] Select the correct tense form of the verb in bracket.

Sophy usually.....(go) to college at 9 a.m.

- (A) go
- (B) will go
- (C) goes**
- (D) going

### Explanation:

Option c is present tense. Because it represents third party singular. So the term **goes** is used.

**General tip:** if you find the word **usually** representing third party means it is present tense with goes(go).

4] Select the correct tense of the verb underlined.

The sun rises in the east

(A) **Simple present tense**

(B) Present continuous tense

(C) Present perfect tense

(D) Present perfect continuous tense

### Explanation

The word **rises** denotes verb, where it talks about the present or general fact. So it is **simple present tense**.

5] Which of the following sentence is wrong?

(A) Teach me to fish I will live for life time

(B) One never knows what the future will bring

(C) All that glitters is not gold

(D) **We has been living in this house since 1995**

### Explanation

Option D is violation of Subject-Verb agreement

Plural subject → Plural verb

we → have (present perfect continuous)

We have been living in this house since 1995.

6] If I ..... the Principal of my school. I would abolish examinations.

(A) am

(B) was

(C) **were**

(D) will be

### Explanation

It is past continuous tense. It talks about the actions that continue for a period of time as imagination.

7] Here ..... Laika into space.

- (A) will go
- (B) go
- (C) went
- (D) **goes**

### Explanation

Option D is present tense. Because it represents third party singular. So the term **goes** is used.

8] It..... heavily since last night.

- (A) **has been raining**
- (B) was raining
- (C) is raining
- (D) were raining

### Explanation

According to the key to tenses, **been** denotes the perfect continuous tenses. **Has** is present tense. So, **has been** shows that, the option A is belong to present perfect continuous tense.

9] Select the correct Tense :

I ..... (leave) for Mumbai tomorrow evening.

- (A) **shall be leaving**
- (B) leave
- (C) would be leaving
- (D) am leaving

### Explanation

As **tomorrow** is used, it denotes future tense. From the given options, none of them denotes future tense except option A. So it is correct answer.

10] Fill in the blank with the correct tense from the options given below :

If I ---- there I would have attended the function.

- (A) was
- (B) **were**

- (C) have been there  
(D) **had been there**

**Explanation**

It is past perfect continuous tense, where **had** symbolizes past and **been** → perfect continuous. It is also imaginal talk.

11] Select the correct tense.

All the students -- the special class last week.

- (A) had attended  
(B) **attended**  
(C) will attend  
(D) would attend

**Explanation**

As **last week** is used, it represents past tense. So the option B with **attended** fulfill the sentence in past tense too.

12] Write the correct tense.

They ----- in the school since 2012.

- (A) are serving  
(B) will serve  
(C) will be serving  
(D) **have been serving**

**Explanation**

It is **Present perfect continuous tense**, where they still serving the school from 2012. So option D is correct answer.

13] Complete the sentence choosing an option from those given below :

Every villager from those two hamlets ..... going to the fair today.

- (A) was  
(B) were  
(C) are  
(D) **is**

**Explanation**

If the sentence speaks about singular, **is** should be used. In case plural is used **are** fills the blank. The word **every** denotes each individual villager. So it denotes singular and option D is answer.

14] Find out the (correct sentence with) suitable verb form from the options given below:

- (A) Sachin is playing cricket yesterday
- (B) Sachin will be playing cricket yesterday
- (C) Sachin has been playing cricket yesterday
- (D) **Sachin was playing cricket yesterday**

#### Explanation

Actually the sentences relating with past tense by the term **yesterday** was mentioned in all those 4 options. Option D is **Past continuous tense** because of the word '**was playing**'.

15] Choose the correct tense of the verb given in bracket from the options given below:  
When I reached the station, the train ..... (leave).

- (A) has left
- (B) leaves
- (C) left
- (D) **had left**

#### Explanation

The term **had left** is also simple past tense, whereas **reached** is also past tense. Thus option D is correct answer.

16] Fill in the blank with the correct tense form of the verb from the options given below.  
The cabinet ..... (decide) on the bill next week

- (A) has decided
- (B) **will decide**
- (C) decided
- (D) had decided

#### Explanation

The term **next week** is future, it may or may not happen because it denotes the future. So option B denotes the future by the rule **will**.

17] Choose the correct tense form of the verb from the options given below :  
The bees— little silas and he cried bitterly.

- (A) stings
- (B) stinged
- (C) stang
- (D) **stung**

#### Explanation

Past tense of sting is **stung**. Therefore, here the term **cried** is used, to denote it is also past. Thus option D fits well to the blank.

18] Choose the correct alternative from the options given below :  
He used to visit us every week, but— now.

- (A) **rarely comes**
- (B) was rarely coming
- (C) has rarely come
- (D) had rarely come

#### Explanation

The term **comes** is simple present tense. It expresses the rareness of his coming, but he used to visit every week. This represents his habit of visiting.

19] Choose the correct form of the verb to fill in the blank :  
They— the bridge for several months.

- (A) **have been building**
- (B) are building
- (C) will be building
- (D) had been building

#### Explanation

It is present perfect continuous tense, where **have been** is used according to the rule. Still they have been building the bridge for several months. So the building is still in process. Thus option A fits well to the blank.

20] Choose the correct verb:  
Tendulkar \_\_\_\_\_ (bat) since the match started this morning.

- (A) batted
- (B) is batting
- (C) **has been batting**
- (D) has batted

### Explanation

It is a Present Perfect continuous tense. 'Tendulkar has been playing from morning and still playing' is the actual meaning of the sentence. It means he is batting very well. So option C is correct answer.

21] Fill in the blanks with a suitable tense form:  
I\_\_\_\_\_ (talk) to my mother, when the guests arrived.

- (A) talked
- (B) is talking
- (C) talk
- (D) **was talking**

### Explanation

The sentence is talking about past tense because 'arrived' is past. The event is already happened. So the blank takes the past tense of option D- **was talking**.

22] Choose the correct verb form to fill the blank from the options given below :  
The office — from Tuesday to Friday next week.

- (A) will not function
- (B) will be not function
- (C) is not functioning
- (D) **will not be functioning**

### Explanation

This sentence indicates future tense(next week). So it speaks about the future event. So 'will not be functioning' is correct answer.

23] Select the correct tense form of verb from the below given options :  
The Queen bee with her workers\_\_\_\_\_ over the hive.

- (A) preside
- (B) **presides**

- (C) are presiding
- (D) have been presiding

**Explanation**

As third person workers is simple present, it comes under **verb**. so the option B is correct answer.

Presides is verb.

24] Find out suitable verb for the sentence from the options given below :

The street dog\_\_\_\_\_ (bite) a small boy ten minutes ago.

- (A) bit
- (B) has bitten
- (C) bites
- (D) was biting

**Explanation**

As 'ten minutes ago' is mentioned, it is past tense. So past tense of bite is **Bit**.

25] Lalitha has \_\_\_\_\_ medical leave and is expected to join duty next Monday.

- (A) took
- (B) take
- (C) taken
- (D) tooked

**Explanation**

It is Past Participle with Present Perfect.

Take → taken ( Past Participle)

'lalitha has taken medical leave' is past participle

'Expected to join duty next Monday' is present perfect.

26] Fill in the blanks with the correct (tense) verb forms given in sequence :

We\_\_\_\_\_ (live) in this house since 2011 which\_\_\_\_\_ (build) in 2010.

- (A) are living, is built
- (B) were living, were built



- (C) have lived, has built  
(D) **have been living, was built**

**Explanation**

It is present perfect continuous tense, where **have been** is used according to the rule. Because still they have been living in that house and 2010 is past year. So past tense of build is **built** – was built is correct answer.

27] Select the correct tense.  
She is singing now.

- (A) Simple Present Tense  
(B) **Present Continuous Tense**  
(C) Present Perfect Tense  
(D) Present Perfect Continuous Tense

**Explanation**

**Singing now** is present continuous tense. Currently she is singing which means that still she didn't finish singing.

28] Choose the correct tense :  
Tomorrow will be Sunday.

- (A) **Simple future tense**  
(B) Future continuous tense  
(C) Future perfect tense  
(D) Future perfect continuous tense

**Explanation**

Will be → denotes future tense. It's simple future tense.

29] Choose the correct verb :  
The united states— a big navy.

- (A) have  
(B) **has**  
(C) are  
(D) will be

**Explanation**

Generally, **has** is used with third party singular.

30] Choose the noun form of the verb 'sing'

- (A) sang
- (B) singing
- (C) **song**
- (D) sung

**Explanation**

Song is noun, which gives verb of song is **sing**.

Past simple of Sing – Sang

Past participle of Sing – Sung

Present participle (or) Gerund – Singing.