

ELTE Random Tenses quiz 207

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- ☐ (A) already started
- ☐ (B) has already started
- ☐ (C) had already started
- ☐ (D) was already starting

2. I _____ to visit the Scottish Highlands for years, but I never seem to find the time.

- ☐ (A) meant
- ☐ (B) had meant
- ☐ (C) have been meaning
- ☐ (D) am meaning

3. If she _____ to the instructions, she wouldn't have got lost.

- ☐ (A) listened
- ☐ (B) has listened
- ☐ (C) had listened
- ☐ (D) would listen

4. This time next week, we _____ the streets of Edinburgh.

- ☐ (A) explore
- ☐ (B) explored
- ☐ (C) will be exploring
- ☐ (D) have explored

5. They _____ for nearly an hour before the doors finally opened.

- ☐ (A) waited
- ☐ (B) have waited
- ☐ (C) had been waiting
- ☐ (D) were waiting

6. The researchers _____ new evidence that changes our understanding of history.

- ☐ (A) discovered
- ☐ (B) discover
- ☐ (C) have discovered
- ☐ (D) had discovered

7. I _____ about Mary King's Close when my friend called.

- ☐ (A) read
- ☐ (B) have read
- ☐ (C) was reading
- ☐ (D) had read

8. By the end of this course, you _____ all the advanced grammar structures.

- ☐ (A) master
- ☐ (B) mastered
- ☐ (C) will have mastered
- ☐ (D) will master

9. She _____ as a tour guide since she graduated from university.

- ☐ (A) worked
- ☐ (B) is working
- ☐ (C) has been working
- ☐ (D) had worked

10. Hardly _____ the building when the lights suddenly went out.

- ☐ (A) we entered
- ☐ (B) had we entered
- ☐ (C) had we entered
- ☐ (D) were we entering

11. If it _____ raining so heavily, we could walk along the Royal Mile.

- ☐ (A) isn't
- ☐ (B) wasn't
- ☐ (C) weren't
- ☐ (D) hadn't been

12. He _____ the job if it had offered more opportunities.

- ☐ (A) accepted
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13. The castle _____ the city for centuries.

- ☐ (A) overlooked
- ☐ (B) is overlooking
- ☐ (C) has overlooked
- ☐ (D) had overlooked

14. At the moment, the engineers _____ part of the historic building.

- ☐ (A) restore
- ☐ (B) restored
- ☐ (C) are restoring
- ☐ (D) have restored

15. Despite _____ in Edinburgh for over a decade, she had never visited Mary King's Close before last weekend.

- ☐ (A) lived
- ☐ (B) living
- ☐ (C) having lived
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i Use the **Past Perfect** for an action completed before another action in the past.

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- ☒ C have been meaning
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i The **Present Perfect Continuous** describes an intention that began in the past and continues to the present.

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i This is a **Third Conditional** sentence (if + Past Perfect).

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i The **Future Continuous** describes an action in progress at a specific time in the future.

5. They _____ for nearly an hour before the doors finally opened.

A waited

B have waited

✓ C had been waiting

D were waiting

i The **Past Perfect Continuous** emphasizes the duration of an action before another past event.

6. The researchers _____ new evidence that changes our understanding of history.

A discovered

B discover

✓ C have discovered

D had discovered

i The **Present Perfect** connects a past discovery with its present relevance.

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i The **Present Perfect Continuous** describes an activity that started in the past and continues now.

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i After Hardly, use inversion with the Past Perfect.

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i The Second Conditional uses if + Past Simple to describe an unreal present situation.

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i The Third Conditional uses would have + past participle in the main clause.

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i The Present Continuous is used for an action happening now.

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i Having lived is a perfect participle showing that one action happened before another in the past.