

**Exercise (01)/** Read the situations and write sentences using the words in brackets.

- 1 There was a picture lying on the floor.  
(It / fall / off the wall).....
- 2 The people sitting next to you on the plane were nervous. It was their first flight.  
(They / not / fly / before).....
- 3 You went back to your home town recently after many years. It wasn't the same as before.  
(It / change / a lot) It.....
- 4 Somebody sang a song. You didn't know it.  
(I / not / hear / it / before) I.....
- 5 I invited Rachel to the party, but she couldn't come.  
(She / arrange / to do something else).....
- 6 You went to the cinema last night. You got to the cinema late.  
(The film / already / start).....
- 7 Last year we went to Mexico. It was our first time there.  
(We / not / be / there / before) We.....
- 8 I met Daniel last week. It was good to see him again after such a long time.  
(I / not / see / him for five years).....
- 9 I offered my friends something to eat, but they weren't hungry.  
(They / just / have / lunch).....
- 10 Sam played tennis yesterday. He wasn't very good at it because it was his first game ever.  
(He / never / play / before).....

**Exercise (02)/** Read the situations and complete the sentences.

- 1 We played tennis yesterday. We didn't finish our game.  
.....(We / play) for half an hour when..... (it / start) to rain.
- 2 I had arranged to meet Tom in a restaurant. I arrived and waited for him to come.  
.....(I / wait) for 20 minutes when.....  
.....I / realise) that (I / be) in the wrong restaurant.
- 3 Sarah worked in a company for a long time. The company no longer exists. At the time the company..... (go) out of business, Sarah  
.....(work) there for twelve years.
- 4 I went to a concert. Soon after the orchestra began playing, something strange happened.  
The orchestra..... (play) for about ten minutes when a man in the audience suddenly..... (start) shouting.

**Exercise (03)/** Which is right?

- 1 It was noisy next door last night. Our neighbours were having / had been having a party.
- 2 At the end of our journey we were extremely tired. We were travelling / We'd been travelling for more than 24 hours.
- 3 James was on his hands and knees on the floor. He was looking / He'd been looking for his contact lens.
- 4 Sue was sitting on the ground. She was out of breath. She was running / She'd been running.
- 5 John and I went for a walk. He was walking / He'd been walking very fast and I had difficulty keeping up with him.
- 6 I was sad when I sold my car. I've had it / I'd had it for a very long time.
- 7 I was sad when my local cafe closed. I was going / I'd been going there for many years.
- 8 I'm running a marathon next month. I've been training / I'd been training for it every day.
- 9 I had arranged to meet Kate, but I was late. When I finally arrived, she was waiting / she'd been waiting for me. She was annoyed because she was waiting / she'd been waiting such a long time.
- 10a Joe and I work for the same company. He joined the company before me. When I started a few years ago, he was already working / he'd already been working there.
- 10b I started working at the company a few years ago. At the time I started, Joe was already working / had already been working there for two years.
- 10c Joe still works for the company. He's been working / He'd been working there a long time now.

**Exercise (04)/ Complete the sentences. Use the present continuous or present simple.**

- 1 a: Tina, are you ready yet?  
b: Yes, .....(I / come).
- 2 a: (you / go) to Sam's party on Saturday?  
b: No, I haven't been invited.
- 3 a: Has Jack moved into his new apartment yet?  
b: Not yet, but (he / move) soon – probably at the end of the month.
- 4 a: (I / go) to a concert tonight.  
b: That's nice. What time (it / start)?
- 5 a: Have you seen Chris recently?

b: No, but (we / meet) for lunch next week.

6 a: (you / do) anything tomorrow morning?

b: No, I'm free. Why?

7 a: When (this term / end)?

b: Next Friday. And next term (start) four weeks after that.

8 a: (We / go) to a wedding at the weekend.

b: Really? (Who / get) married?

9 a: There's football on TV later tonight. (you / watch) it?

b: No, I'm not interested.

10 a: What time is your train tomorrow?

b: It (leave) at 9.35 and (arrive) at 12.47.

11 a: I'd like to go and see the exhibition at the museum. How long is it on for?

b: (It / finish) next week.

12 a: Do you need the car this evening?

b: No, you can have it. (I / not / use) it.

### Exercise (05)/ Which is correct?

1 Don't forget to lock the door when you go out / you'll go out. (you go out is correct)

2 As soon as we get any more information, we let / we'll let you know.

3 I want to get to the cinema before the film starts / will start.

4 Don't drive through a red light. Wait until it changes / it will change to green.

5 Sarah will be here soon. I make / I'll make some coffee when she comes.

6 I'm 20 now. I wonder where I'll be when I'm 40 / I'll be 40.

7 I wait / I'll wait for you until you're ready, but don't be long.

8 Oliver is five years old. He wants to be a TV presenter when he grows up / he'll grow up.

9 We could meet for coffee tomorrow morning if you're / you will be free.

10 If the weather is / will be nice tomorrow, we're going to the beach.

11 Vicky is / will be very disappointed if she doesn't get a place at university.

12 You'll feel better after you've had / you'll have something to eat.

### Exercise (06)/ Read the situations and complete the sentences.

1 You and a friend want to go out, but it's raining hard. You don't want to get wet.

You say: Let's wait until **it stops raining** .

2 You're visiting a friend. It's going to get dark soon, and you want to leave before that.

You ask: I'd better go now before.....

3 You want to sell your car. Mark is interested in buying it, but he hasn't decided yet.

You ask: Let me know as soon as.....

4 Your friends are going to Hong Kong soon. You want to know where they're going to stay.

You ask: Where are you going to stay when..... ?

5 The traffic is bad in your town, but they are going to build a new road.

You say: I think things will be better when they.....

6 Someone you know has been very rude to you. You want her to apologise.

You say (to someone else): I won't speak to her until.....

**Exercise (07)/** Use your own ideas to complete B's sentences.

1 a: What's Chicago like? Is it a good place to visit?

b: I've no idea..... there.

2 a: How well do you know Ben?

b: Very well. We .....since we were children.

3 a: Did you enjoy your holiday?

b: Yes, it was really good. It's the best holiday .

4 a: Is David still here?

b: No, I'm afraid he isn't. about ten minutes ago.

5 a: I like your suit. I haven't seen it before.

b: It's new. It's the first time .

6 a: How did you cut your knee?

b: I slipped and fell when tennis.

7 a: Do you ever go swimming?

b: Not these days. I haven't a long time.

8 a: How often do you go to the cinema?

b: Very rarely. It's nearly a year to the cinema.

9 a: I bought some new shoes. Do you like them?

b: Yes, they're very nice. Where them?

**Exercise (08)/** Which is correct?

1 Everything is going well. We didn't have / haven't had any problems so far.  
(haven't had is correct)

2 Lisa didn't go / hasn't gone to work yesterday. She wasn't feeling well.

3 Look! That man over there wears / is wearing the same sweater as you.

4 I went / have been to New Zealand last year.

5 I didn't hear / haven't heard from Jess recently. I hope she's OK.

6 I wonder why James is / is being so nice to me today. He isn't usually like that.

7 Jane had a book open in front of her, but she didn't read / wasn't reading it.

8 I wasn't very busy. I didn't have / wasn't having much to do.

9 It begins / It's beginning to get dark. Shall I turn on the light?

10 After leaving school, Mark worked / has worked in a hotel for a while.

11 When Sue heard the news, she wasn't / hasn't been very pleased.

- 12 This is a nice hotel, isn't it? Is this the first time you stay / you've stayed here?
- 13 I need a new job. I'm doing / I've been doing the same job for too long.
- 14 'Anna has gone out.' 'Oh, has she? What time did she go / has she gone?'
- 15 'You look tired.' 'Yes, I've played / I've been playing basketball.'
- 16 Where are you coming / do you come from? Are you American?
- 17 I'd like to see Tina again. It's a long time since I saw her / that I didn't see her.
- 18 Robert and Maria have been married since 20 years / for 20 years