Unit IV-Exercises with Answers Present Tense

Type in the verbs in the correct Simple Present

- 1. Anne (work) in a language school.
- 2. She (be) a teacher.
- 3. She (teach) English.
- 4. Her students (come) from all over the world.
- 5. Anne usually (go) to school by bus.
- 6. On the bus she (have) time to correct a few tests.

Answers

- 1. Anne works in a language school.
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- 3. She teaches English.
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Complete the sentences with the negation.

- 1. The children (be/not) tired.
- 2. Carol (have/not) any brothers or sisters.
- 3. I (drink/not) milk.
- 4. She (like/not) maths.
- 5. I (be/not) from England.

Answers

- 1. The children are not tired.
- 2. Carol does not have any brothers or sisters.
- 3. I do not drink milk.
- 4. She does not like maths.
- 5. I am not from England.

Construct questions.

- 1. (have/you/a dog).
- 2. (speak/they/English).
- 3. (be/I/right).
- 4. (play/he/tennis).
- 5. (be/you/on holiday).

- 1. Do you have a dog?
- 2. Do they speak English?

- 3. Am I right?
- 4. Does he play tennis?
- 5. Are you on holiday?

Fill in the blanks with suitable present tense forms.

- 1. My parents----near Chennai.
 - a. live b. are living c. have lived d. had lived
- 2. I----my parents twice a month.
 - a. visit b. am visiting c. have visited d. have been visiting
- 3. 'What are you doing there?' I-----TV.
 - a. Watch b. am watching c. have watched d. have been watching
- 4. Watch carefully. First, I-----it into small pieces.
 - a. am taking, am taking b. **take, cut** c. am taking, cut d. am cutting, am breaking
- 5. I will follow you wherever you
 - a. will go b. are going to c. go d. have gone
- 6. I will call you if I----- time
 - a.get b. am getting c. have got d. have been getting
- 7. What-----?
 - a. do, eat b. are, eating c. are, eat d. do, eaten
- 8. How -----to the airport?
 - a. do, getting b. am, getting c. do, get of d. done, getting no
- 9. I----- this fragrance very much.
 - a. like b. am liking c. have liked d. have been liking
- 10. I will hit anybody who----me names.
 - a. is calling b. has called c. has been calling d. calls
- 11. Why----on the table?
 - a. does, stand b. does, standing c. is, stood d. is, standing.
- 12. The temple-----on a hill outside the town.
 - a. is standing b. has stood c. stands d. has been standing

5. Fill in the blanks with the correct present tense form:

- 1. He----(be) often tired.
- 2. They-----(have) a cold.
- 3. She -----(get) up at seven.
- 4. We----(take) breakfast at eight.
- 5. Anna ----(get) home at two o'clock.
- 6. Peter----(go) to school
- 7. He----(want) an ice cream
- 8. I-----(hate) peppermint.
- 9. Kelly----(watch) TV.

10.She----(do) her homework.

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Read the following sentences given below and identify the type of the present tense.

- 1. The flight takes off at 5:30 p.m.
- 2. Amy <u>drinks</u> coffee every morning.
- 3. Ira <u>is reading</u> Sherlock Holmes.
- 4. The team <u>is playing quite</u> well.
- 5. Sam <u>has just gone</u> out.
- 6. I <u>have known</u> Riya for a long time.
- 7. I <u>am writing</u> a new story.
- 8. The child <u>has been watching</u> television for hours
- 9. They <u>have been shopping</u> for days.
- 10. Asif has eaten all the cookies.
- 11. I have finished all my chores.
- 12. It <u>rains</u> almost every day in October.
- 13. My uncle is arriving today.
- 14. I have hurt my knee.
- 15. The workers <u>have been building</u> the tower for several months.

- I. Simple Present Tense
- II. Simple Present Tense
- III. Present Continuous Tense
- IV. Present Continuous Tense
- V. Present Perfect Tense
- VI. Present Perfect Tense
- VII. Present Continuous Tense
- VIII. Present Perfect Continuous Tense
 - IX. Present Perfect Continuous Tense
 - X. Present Perfect Tense
 - XI. Present Perfect Tense
- XII. Simple Present Tense

- XIII. Present Continuous Tense
- XIV. Present Perfect Tense
 - XV. Present Perfect Continuous Tense

Change the following sentences into different forms of the present tense given in brackets.

- 1. The sun had been shining brightly since morning. (present perfect continuous tense)
- 2. Gopal has eaten all the butter. (present continuous tense)
- 3. The artist mixes the colours. (present continuous tense)
- 4. Jack is painting the wall. (present perfect continuous tense)
- 5. The ship sailed yesterday. (simple present tense)
- 6. We were watching TV. (present continuous tense)
- 7. The headmaster wanted to speak to you. (simple present tense)
- 8. Ross ate all the chocolates. (simple present tense)
- 9. We were waiting for the lecture from 4:30 P.M. (present perfect continuous tense)
- 10. Joey just went out. (present perfect tense)

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Past Tense

Complete the sentences, put the verb into the correct form, positive or negative (simple past tense)

- 1. It was warm, so I **took** off my coat. (take)
- 2. The film wasn't very good. I **didn't enjoy** it very much. (enjoy)
- 3. I knew Sarah was very busy, so I **didn't disturb** her. (disturb)
- 4. I was very tired, so I **went** to bed early. (go)

- 5. The bed was very uncomfortable. I **didn't sleep** very well. (sleep)
- 6. Sue wasn't hungry, so she **didn't eat** anything. (eat)
- 7. We went to Kate's house but she **wasn't** at home. (be)
- 8. It was a funny situation but nobody laughed (laugh)
- 9. The window was open and a bird flew into the room. (fly)
- 10. The hotel wasn't very expensive. It didn't **cost** very much. (cost)
- 11. I was in a hurry, so I **didn't have** time to phone you. (have)
- 12. It was hard work carrying the bags. They **were** very heavy. (be)

Complete the exercise with the verbs inside the box (Simple Past tense)

buy catch cost drink
fall hurt sell spend
teach throw win
write

- 1. Mozart **wrote** more than 600 pieces of music.
- 2. 'How did you learn to drive?' 'My father taught me.'
- 3. We couldn't afford to keep our car, so we **sold** it.
- 4. I was very thirsty. I **drank** the water very quickly.
- 5. Paul and I played tennis yesterday. He's much better than me, so he **won** easily.
- 6. Don **fell** down the stairs this morning and **hurt** his lag.
- 7. Jim **threw** the ball to Sue, who **caught** it.
- 8. Ann **spent** a lot of money yesterday. She **bought** a dress. It **cost** Rs. 100.

Choose the correct options so that each tense

1. We -----to the cinema last week

- 2. Once we -----our food, the waiter took our order
- 3. I saw a lovely dress while I-----maybe I will go back and buy it
- 4. When their mum got home, the boys -----TV for two hours

Answers

- i. We went to the cinema last week.
- ii. Once we had finished our food, the waiter took our order.
- iii. I saw a lovely dress while I was shopping, maybe I will go back and buy it.
- iv. When their mum got home, the boys had been watching TV for two hours.

Complete the sentences using the verbs in brackets and the following tenses: simple past, past progressive, past perfect simple, past perfect progressive.

- 1. A plumber (come) to our house yesterday.
- 2. He (want) to repair our washing machine that (break) a few days before.
- 3. Before he (ring) at my door, he (look) for a parking space for about ten minutes.
- 4. While the plumber (repair) the washing machine, I (watch) the news.
- 5. Suddenly, I (realize) that they (show) our street on TV.
- 6. The reporter (say) that a car (crash) into a stop sign just before reaching the crossroads.
- 7. While I (listen) carefully to what (happen), someone (knock) at my door.
- 8.I (open) the door and (see) a police officer standing there.
- 9.He (ask)for the plumber.
- 10.It (be) our plumber's car that had (roll) down the street.
- 11.In his haste, the plumber (forget) to put the handbrake on.

- 1) A plumber came to our house yesterday. (simple past)
- 2) He wanted to repair our washing machine that had broken a few days before. (simple past, past perfect simple)
- 3) Before he rang at my door, he had been looking for a parking space for about ten minutes. (simple past, past perfect progressive)
- 4) While the plumber was repairing the washing machine, I watched the news. (past progressive, simple past)
- 5) Suddenly, I realized that they had shown our street on TV. (simple past, past perfect)
- 6) The reporter said that a car had crashed into a stop sign just before reaching the crossroads. (simple past, past perfect simple)

- 7) While I was listening carefully to what had happened, someone knocked at my door. (past progressive, past perfect)
- 8) I opened the door and saw a police officer standing there. (simple past)
- 9) He asked for the plumber. (simple past)
- 10) It was our plumber's car that had rolled down the street. (simple past, past perfect simple)
- 11) In his haste, the plumber had forgotten to put the handbrake on. (past perfect simple)

Complete the sentences with the simple past of the verbs in brackets.

- 1) William (visit) -----his grandparents last weekend.
- 2) Jane (arrive)----- an hour ago.
- 3) We (go) ----- to Bob's birthday party yesterday.
- 4) I (be) ----- on holiday last week.
- 5) She (see)----- the fire.

Answers

- 1) William visited his grandparents last weekend.
- 2) Jane arrived an hour ago.
- 3) We went to Bob's birthday party yesterday.
- 4) I was on holiday last week.
- 5) She saw fire

Make the sentences negative.

- 1) I phoned Lucy last night. \rightarrow I ----- phone Lucy last night.
- 2) You cleaned your room. \rightarrow You ----- clean your room.
- 3) Olivia worked as an actress. \rightarrow Olivia -----work as an actress.
- 4) We looked for the treasure. \rightarrow We ----- look for the treasure.
- 5) He spoke Spanish. → He ----- speak Spanish

Answers

- 1) I phoned Lucy last night. \rightarrow I did not phone Lucy last night.
- 2) You cleaned your room. \rightarrow You did not clean your room.
- 3) Olivia worked as an actress. \rightarrow Olivia did not work as an actress.
- 4) We looked for the treasure. \rightarrow We did not look for the treasure.
- 5) He spoke Spanish. \rightarrow He did not speak Spanish

Make simple past questions using the words in brackets.

Example: (you/like) avocados? → Do you like avocados?

- 1) you/dance) at the party last night?
- 2) (she/do) her homework?
- 3) (Robert/work) at the post office?
- 4) (they/help) you with the washing-up?

5) When (I/say) that?

Answers

- 1) Did you dance at the party last night?
- 2) Did she do her homework?
- 3) Did Robert work at the post office?
- 4) Did they help you with the washing-up?
- 5) When did I say that?

Future Tense

Choose the correct verbs, using each tense Future I (will or going to), future II, simple present or present progressive

1. The train----at 11:20.

Wait! I -----you.

- 3. As we want to get better marks in English, we -----harder in the future.
- 4. Josh----- to the cinema with his friends tonight
- 5. I am afraid they----- everything by the time we arrive.

Answers

- 1) The train will arrive at 11:20.
- 2) Wait! I will help you.
- 3) As we want to get better marks in English, we are going to work harder in the future.
- 4) Josh is going to the cinema with his friends tonight.
- 5) I am afraid they won't be able to finish everything by the time we arrive.

Complete the sentences for situations in the future. Decide which tense you need to use.

- 1. Aaron is carrying two tyres----- he (change) the tyres on a car.
- 2. Next week (be) there-----the beginning of winter and the weather forecast says that -----(be) snow tomorrow.
- 3. That's why many of the garage's customers have made an appointment and-----(call in) today to get their winter tyres.
- 4. By the end of the day, Aaron-----(mount) about 80 tyres.
- 5. He----(be/probably) tired after that.
- 6. It's a lot of work for one day, but his customers promise that next year they-----(have) their tyres changed earlier.
- 7. That's what they always say, but they (forget/surely) about it by next year.
- 8. Some customers have agreed that they (pick up) their cars tomorrow.

9. They have decided to go home by bus, which (stop) in front of the garage every hour.

Answers

- 1. Aaron is carrying two tyres because he is going to change the tyres on a car.
- 2. Next week will be the beginning of winter and the weather forecast says that there will be snow tomorrow.
- 3. That's why many of the garage's customers have made an appointment and are calling in today to get their winter tyres.
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- 8. Some customers have agreed that they will pick up their cars tomorrow.
- 9. They have decided to go home by bus, which stops in front of the garage every hour.

Fill in the blanks with the suitable future tense forms:

- 1. I----(hit) you if you say that word again.
- 2. I think our team----(win).
- 3. 1 -----(help) you with the homework?
- 4. This time tomorrow I-----(have) a discussion with my boss.
- 5. By next Christmas we----- (live) in this city for 25 years.
- 6. 1----(be) late home tonight.
- 7. She-----(arrive) before too long.
- 8. I will phone you when I----(have) time.
- 9. I will discuss your situation with my boss when I-----(meet) him tomorrow
- 10. I will follow you wherever you-----(go).
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Fill in the correct future tense - will future, going to or present progressive.

- 1. They-----(drive) to New York tomorrow morning.
- 2. I hope the weather----(be) nice.
- 3. I offered him this job. I think he -----(take) it.
- 4. I promise I----(not tell) your secret to anyone.
- 5. Take your umbrella with you, it----(rain).
- 6. They----(play) cards this evening.
- 7. I----(go) to the cinema tomorrow.
- 8. They----(fly) to Seattle next summer holidays
- 9. I----- (invite) 50 people to the party, and I hope everyone-----(come)
- 10. That exercise looks difficult. I----(help) you.
- 11. -----(go) to the football match?
- 12. Are you sure they----(win) the match?
- 13. She -----(stay) till Thursday
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Choose the correct answer for the sentences.

1. I _____ to the supermarket later.

a. will be going b. will go c. will have been going
2. My aunt _____ a teacher for 30 years this September.

a. will be b. is going to be c. will have been

3. ____ you go with me?

a. Shall b. Will c. is going to

4. She can't go on the trip in September because she will _____ school.

a. have started b. go to c. have been starting

5. She _____ sleeping tonight because her baby is sick.

a. a will be b. will not have been c. won't be

6. This time tomorrow, I'll _____.

a. have been working b. be working c. have worked

Fill in the blanks with the correct future tense forms:

- 1. ----you go to class tomorrow?
- 2. She-----studying for several hours by the time we get home.
- 3. In four years, I-----done with school.
- 4. She----going to the dance because she will be catching up on homework.
- 5. Sarah and I-----friends for 10 years next month.
- 6. -----we see a movie later?
- 7. My brother----- stop playing music, so I will call back later
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Concord

Attempt the following sentences by filling the blanks with the appropriate form of the verbs provided in the brackets

1.	My dog	a lot. (ba:	rk)		
2.	You	beautiful in	that dress. (loo	k)	
3.	We	_ a new car las	t week. (buy)		
4.	The birds _	in the	sky. (fly)		
5.	She	French fluer	itly. (speak)		
6.	It	nice to	you again. (b	oe, see)	
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8.	The news al	out the storm	quite	shocking. (be)	
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10	. Lisa	the piano	very well. (play	y)	

Answers

- i. My dog barks a lot.
- ii. You look beautiful in that dress.
- iii. We bought a new car last week.
- iv. The birds fly in the sky.
- v. She speaks French fluently.
- vi. It is nice to see you again.
- vii. The mechanic identifies the issue and provides a solution.
- viii. The news about the storm is quite shocking.
 - ix. James drives to work every day.
 - x. Lisa plays the piano very well.

Go through the following sentences, identify the grammatical errors, and correct them to ensure subject-verb agreement.

- 1. She sing beautifully at the choir.
- 2. John and Mary goes to the same university.
- 3. There is five apples on the table.
- 4. The teacher and the student has a meeting.
- 5. My shoes and my bag matches perfectly.
- 6. The team of scientists have made a breakthrough.
- 7. The company and its subsidiaries is growing rapidly.
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- 1. The bouquet of roses smells delightful.
- 2. The team of engineers were working on the project.
- 3. The collection of stamps belong to my grandfather.
- 4. A pack of wolves were seen near the forest.
- 5. The number of students in the class are increasing.
- 6. The jury was divided in their opinion.
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Fill in the blanks using the correct form of the verb given in brackets

1. Besides encountering the strange aborigines, the first English settlers ------(find) themselves in the presence of new and wide variations of climate. In their old home, they------(accustom) to a moderate temperature. Now they------(have) before them a great range of climate from the cold coasts of Maine to the hot savannahs of Georgia, with all (have) to adapt themselves. the gradations from the far North to the deep South. To the exigencies of these variations, all the immigrants, from the British Isles as well as the Continent, ------(have) to adapt themselves. Wherever the colonists set to work, they ------ (brave) hostile weather conditions.

Answer

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2. Now that I am in charge of the company, I------be making certain changes. First of all, I ------to improve the standard of efficiency. To ensure this I appoint -in-charges. They-----not be there to report on you but to help you in case you need help. I also plan to organize various adventure camps and vacations as these------promote bonding between employees.

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Combine the following sentences using an appropriate form of the verb given in the brackets.

- 1.Man and woman -----complementary to each other.
- 2. Plenty of mangoes and bananas-----available in this season.
- 3.A dictionary and an atlas-----missing from the library.
- 4. The leader as well as his brothers-----(belong) to the same tribe.
- 5. Cats and dogs----(do) not get along.
- 6. The brothers as well as their sister-----(be) good at their studies.
- 7. The students accompanied by their teacher-----(have) gone on a picnic.
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