

## SET 1

1. **Last Saturday, my father ---- that his dinner suit was too small, so now he ---- a strict diet.**
  - A) has discovered / followed
  - B) discovers / was following
  - C) discovered / is following
  - D) was discovering / has followed
  - E) has been discovering / follows
2. **Helen ---- her driving test five times so far without success, but she ---- yet.**
  - A) takes / isn't giving up
  - B) has taken / hasn't given up
  - C) was taking / didn't give up
  - D) is taking / doesn't give up
  - E) took / wasn't giving up
3. **Most of the time, John and his friends ---- football matches at their local cafe, but this Saturday, they - --- to the stadium, and so they're all very excited.**
  - A) watch / are going
  - B) have been watching / go
  - C) are watching / have gone
  - D) were watching / went
  - E) have watched / were going
4. **Kate ---- a vegetarian for eleven years now, and she ---- meat at all during this time.**
  - A) is / isn't eating
  - B) has been / wasn't eating
  - C) is / doesn't eat
  - D) has been / hasn't eaten
  - E) was / didn't eat
5. **Last year, Richard ---- his bicycle to work everyday, but he ---- the bus since the accident.**
  - A) rides / takes
  - B) has ridden / is taking
  - C) rode / has been taking
  - D) was riding / took
  - E) is riding / has taken
6. **I ---- glasses when I was younger, but now I ---- contact lenses.**
  - A) was wearing / have had
  - B) have worn / am having
  - C) have been wearing / had
  - D) wear / was having
  - E) wore / have
7. **About a month ago, I ---- a brochure about your hotel, but I ---- it yet.**
  - A) request / didn't receive
  - B) have requested / am not receiving
  - C) was requesting / wasn't receiving
  - D) requested / haven't received
  - E) have been requested / don't receive
8. **The conditions in our office ---- more and more unbearable, and so quite often recently I ---- quitting it and looking for a new job.**
  - A) have got / was considering
  - B) was getting / am considering
  - C) are getting / have considered
  - D) have been getting / consider
  - E) get / considered
9. **Because I ---- a long way from my work, I ---- lots of time going to and from work.**
  - A) live / waste
  - B) lived / have wasted
  - C) have been living / wasted
  - D) am living / have been wasting
  - E) was living / am wasting
10. **In the USA, the twenty largest newspaper chains ---- for almost half of the circulation, reflecting a trend that ---- in the 1970s.**
  - A) account / started
  - B) were accounting / start
  - C) has accounted / was starting
  - D) accounted / is starting
  - E) accounts / has started
11. **Clean snow ---- as much as 87 percent of the sunlight that ---- on it.**
  - A) is reflecting / shone
  - B) has reflected / was shining
  - C) reflected / is shining
  - D) was reflected / has shone
  - E) reflects / shines
12. **More than two hundred people ---- the tower when the bomb ---- in one of the dustbins.**
  - A) have visited / was exploding
  - B) were visiting / exploded
  - C) visited / has exploded
  - D) are visiting / is exploding
  - E) visit / has exploded
13. **Because you ---- half of the ingredients as I ---- dinner, you probably aren't hungry at all now.**
  - A) were eating / have prepared
  - B) have eaten / prepared
  - C) have been eating / prepare
  - D) ate / was preparing
  - E) eat / have been preparing

14. **She ---- strictly since Christmas and so far she ---- eight kilos.**  
 A) was dieting / was losing  
 B) dieted / loses  
 C) diets / is losing  
 D) is dieting / lost  
 E) has been dieting / has lost
15. **Cindy's family ---- chains in this area for over three centuries and now her father ---- this traditional craft at the county museum twice a day as well.**  
 A) are making / is demonstrating  
 B) have made / has demonstrated  
 C) made / was demonstrating  
 D) were making / demonstrated  
 E) have been making / demonstrates
16. **He ---- to unlock the door to his flat because the telephone ----**  
 A) was hurrying / rang  
 B) hurries / has been ringing  
 C) hurried / was ringing  
 D) is hurrying / rings  
 E) has hurried / has rung
17. **There ---- economies since the dawn of civilization, but as a field of study, economics ---- only recently.**  
 A) were / was developing  
 B) have been / has developed  
 C) are / has been developing  
 D) were / is developing  
 E) have been / develops
18. **John Deere ---- his farm machinery business, which ---- tractors today, in the 19th century.**  
 A) founds / still produced  
 B) has founded / is still producing  
 C) was founding / was still producing  
 D) founded / still produces  
 E) is founding / has still produced
19. **I ---- my French lately; consequently, I ---- more and more of it.**  
 A) am not practising / forget  
 B) haven't been practising / am forgetting  
 C) don't practise / have forgotten  
 D) wasn't practising / forgot  
 E) didn't practise / was forgetting
20. **The old lady's health ---- day by day until she ---- smoking.**  
 A) was deteriorating / gave up  
 B) is deteriorating / gives up  
 C) deteriorated / has given up  
 D) deteriorates / is giving up  
 E) has deteriorated / was giving up
21. **The managing director ---- Sid to sales manager and ever since, he ---- everybody around.**  
 A) promoted / has been bossing  
 B) promotes / bosses  
 C) has promoted / is bossing  
 D) is promoting / was bossing  
 E) was promoting / has bossed
22. **Problems with the hotel, coupled with this awful weather, ---- our holiday miserable, so we ---- before the scheduled time.**  
 A) have made / have left  
 B) were making / leave  
 C) make / left  
 D) are making / are leaving  
 E) made / were leaving
23. **The fact that more people ---- ozone-friendly products nowadays ---- that the media can positively increase public awareness.**  
 A) have used / was showing  
 B) used / has shown  
 C) use / has been showing  
 D) were using / showed  
 E) are using / shows
24. **My sister ---- from severe back aches lately and I think it's because, last month, she ---- to work in a shop where she has to pick up heavy things.**  
 A) is suffering / has started  
 B) suffers / was starting  
 C) has been suffering / started  
 D) suffered / is starting  
 E) was suffering / starts
25. **Though she ---- dancing, Sonia ---- to the disco with her friends the previous night just in order to be with them in a different atmosphere.**  
 A) hasn't like / has gone  
 B) doesn't like / went  
 C) didn't like / is going  
 D) doesn't like / goes  
 E) didn't like / has been going
26. **Somebody ---- three times this morning asking for Pete, but nobody called Pete ---- here.**  
 A) has phoned / has ever lived  
 B) is phoning / was ever living  
 C) phones / ever lived  
 D) phoned / is ever living  
 E) has been phoning / ever lived
27. **Joey ---- just ---- stubborn when he refused to go to the cinema today and he only did so because we ---- to go bowling yesterday.**  
 A) is ---- being / haven't wanted  
 B) has ---- been / didn't want  
 C) is / don't want  
 D) was / haven't been wanting  
 E) was ---- being / didn't want
28. **My mother ---- her optician tomorrow because her eyesight ---- worse since she got this computing job.**  
 A) has visited / is becoming  
 B) visited / was becoming  
 C) visits / becomes  
 D) is visiting / has become  
 E) was visiting / became

29. As the President ---- the hall, all the guests ---- to their feet to welcome him.

- A) was entering / have risen
- B) entered / rose
- C) is entering / rise
- D) enters / have been rising
- E) has entered / were rising

30. She ---- interested in health ever since she was a young girl and now that the medical college ---- her as a student, it seems that she will be able to work in the medical field.

- A) was / accepted
- B) has been / has accepted
- C) is / is accepting
- D) is being / accepts
- E) was / was accepting

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