

Past tense

Unit 1

A-Complete the sentences for situations in the past. Decide which tense you need to use.

1-We--went------------to the cinema last week**. (go)**

2-A bird pooed on the window that I had cleaned------only a minute before. **(clean)**

3-Yesterday at nine, he –was sitting----------in front of his computer**. (sit)**

4-When their mum got home, the boys –had been watching---------TV for two hours. **(watch)**

5-A plumber---came------------ **(come)** to our house yesterday.

6-He---wanted----- **(want**) to repair our washing machine that-had broken----- **(break)** a few days before.

7-Before he ---rang----**(ring)** at my door, he---had been looking---- **(look)** for a parking space for about ten minutes.

8-While the plumber – was repairing ---------(**repair) the** washing machine, I-----was watching-------(**watch)**  the news.

9-Suddenly, I -realised----**(realise**) that they -were showing----- (**show**) our street on TV.

10-The reporter ---said----**(say) that** a car-had crashed---------- **(crash)** into a stop sign just before reaching the crossroads.

11-While I -was listening---(**listen**) carefully to what -was happening--**(happen**), someone -knocked ------------(knock) at my door.

12-I---opened -----------**(open)** the door and--saw-------- **(see)** a police officer standing there.

13-He –asked ---------**(ask) for** the plumber.

14.In his haste, the plumber -forgot------------**(forget**)**to** put the handbrake on.

**B-Choose the correct answer.**

1. When Patricia \_\_\_\_\_ into her car, she remembered she \_\_\_\_\_the water boiler on.

**A) was getting / has left B) got / had left C) had got / leaves**

**D) got / was leaving**

2. We \_\_\_\_\_ our meal on the train as it \_\_\_\_\_ across the beautifulcountryside.

**A) have enjoyed / is going B) enjoyed / had gone**

**C) had been enjoying / has gone D) were enjoying / was going**

3. Grandpa \_\_\_\_\_ his last car for thirty years when he \_\_\_\_\_ it last year.

**A) was having / sold B) had / had sold C) had / was selling D) had had / sold**

**4**. Although he \_\_\_\_\_ his early childhood in Germany, he doesn't remember anything from that time now.

**A) had been spending B) has spent C) spent D) was spending**

**5.** Vegetables and fruits don't taste as delicious as they \_\_\_\_\_ when I \_\_\_\_\_ a kid.

**A) did / have been B) have done / was C) were doing / had been** **D) used to do / was**

6. What \_\_\_\_\_ the two \_\_\_\_\_ about when they started to quarrel**?**

**A) have / talked B) were / talking C) do / talk D) are / talking**

7. I \_\_\_\_\_ my pen, and I don't remember where I last \_\_\_\_\_ it.

**A) have lost / have used B) lost / had used C) have lost / used**

**D) had lost / was using**

**8-**Because I \_\_\_\_\_ to eating with chopsticks, I \_\_\_\_\_ a hard time during the dinner.

**A) didn't use / was having B) hadn't been used / am having**

**C) wasn't used / had D) am not used / had been having**

9. When the film finished, I \_\_\_\_\_ the alarm clock and \_\_\_\_\_ to bed.

**A) had set / have gone B) set / went C) was setting / was going**

**D) had set / is going**