

Grammar Homework: Narrative Tenses and Adverbs

Topics: Narrative Tenses, Past Perfect Continuous, So/Such...That, Adverb Positioning

Part A: Past Perfect Continuous (Questions 1-12)

1. She _____ for three hours when the rain finally stopped. **a)** had been walking
b) has been walking
c) was walking
d) walked
2. How long _____ before you decided to quit? **a)** you had been working
b) had you been working
c) you have been working
d) did you work
3. They _____ all morning, so they were exhausted. **a)** had been studying
b) have been studying
c) were studying
d) studied
4. The ground was wet because it _____ all night. **a)** had been raining
b) has been raining
c) was raining
d) rained
5. I could smell smoke because someone _____ in the next room. **a)** had been smoking
b) has been smoking
c) was smoking
d) smoked
6. Her eyes were red. She _____ for hours. **a)** had been crying
b) has been crying
c) was crying
d) cried
7. We _____ for the bus for twenty minutes when it finally arrived. **a)** had been waiting
b) have been waiting
c) were waiting
d) waited

8. The children were dirty because they _____ in the garden. ☒ a) had been playing

b) have been playing

c) were playing

d) played

9. _____ long before the accident happened? ☒ a) Had he been driving

b) Has he been driving

c) Was he driving

d) Did he drive

10. She was tired because she _____ all day. ☒ a) had been working

b) has been working

c) was working

d) worked

11. The phone _____ for ten minutes before I answered it. ☒ a) had been ringing

b) has been ringing

c) was ringing

d) rang

12. They _____ for months before they found the perfect house. ☒ a) had been looking

b) have been looking

c) were looking

d) looked

Part B: Narrative Tenses Mixed (Questions 13-25)

13. When I arrived, she _____ dinner for two hours. a) cooked

b) was cooking

☒ c) had been cooking

d) has been cooking

14. He _____ the book before the movie came out. a) read

☒ b) was reading

c) had read

d) has read

15. While they _____ TV, the power went out. a) watched

b) were watching

☒ c) had watched

d) have watched

16. She _____ her homework when her friends called. a) finished

b) was finishing

☒ c) had finished

d) has finished

17. After he _____ the letter, he felt much better. a) wrote

b) was writing

☒ c) had written

d) has written

18. I _____ my keys everywhere before I found them in my pocket. a) looked

b) was looking

c) had looked

☒ d) had been looking

19. The train _____ by the time we reached the station. a) left

b) was leaving

☒ c) had left

d) has left

20. She _____ for her exam when the phone rang. a) studied

☒ b) was studying

c) had studied

d) has studied

21. Before moving to Paris, he _____ French for five years. a) learned

b) was learning

c) had learned

☒ d) had been learning

22. The movie _____ when we finally arrived at the cinema. a) started

b) was starting

☒ c) had started

d) has started

23. I _____ three cups of coffee before noon yesterday. a) drank

b) was drinking

☒ c) had drunk

d) have drunk

24. She _____ in the garden when it started to rain. a) worked

☒ b) was working

c) had worked

d) has worked

25. By 8 o'clock, they _____ for three hours. a) traveled

b) were traveling

c) had traveled

☒ d) had been traveling

Part C: So/Such...That Constructions (Questions 26-37)

26. It was _____ hot day that we stayed inside. ☒ a) so

b) such

c) such a

d) so a

27. She spoke _____ quietly that I couldn't hear her. ☒ c) so

b) such

c) such a

d) so a

28. They were _____ tired that they fell asleep immediately. ☒ d) so

b) such

c) such a

d) so a

29. It was _____ difficult question that nobody could answer it. a) so

☒ b) such

c) such a

d) so a

30. He drives _____ fast that it's dangerous. ☒ c) so

b) such

c) such a

d) so a

31. They have _____ beautiful garden that everyone admires it. a) so

b) such

☒ c) such a

d) so a

32. The music was _____ loud that the neighbors complained. ☒ a) so

b) such

c) such a

d) so a

33. She's _____ good teacher that all students love her classes. ☐ a) so

b) such

☒ c) such a

d) so a

34. The weather was _____ terrible that we canceled the picnic. ☒ a) so

b) such

c) such a

d) so a

35. He has _____ many books that he needs more shelves. ☒ a) so

b) such

c) such a

d) so a

36. It was _____ interesting film that we watched it twice. ☐ a) so

b) such

☒ c) such an

d) so an

37. She works _____ hard that she rarely takes breaks. ☒ a) so

b) such

c) such a

d) so a

Part D: Position of Adverbs and Adverbial Phrases (Questions 38-50)

38. Choose the sentence with correct adverb placement: ☐ a) He speaks always English at work.

☒ b) He always speaks English at work.

c) He speaks English always at work.

d) Always he speaks English at work.

39. Where should "carefully" be placed in: "She the vase lifted"? ☐ a) She carefully the vase lifted.

b) She the vase carefully lifted.

- ☒ c) She the vase lifted carefully.
d) Carefully she the vase lifted.

40. Choose the correct placement for "probably": ☒ a) He probably will come to the party.
b) He will probably come to the party.
c) He will come probably to the party.
d) He will come to the party probably.

41. Which sentence correctly places "in the morning"? ☒ a) In the morning, she exercises regularly.
b) She in the morning exercises regularly.
c) She exercises in the morning regularly.
d) She exercises regularly in the morning.

42. Choose the sentence with correct adverb order: ☒ a) She often goes quietly upstairs.
b) She goes often quietly upstairs.
c) She goes quietly often upstairs.
d) Often she goes quietly upstairs.

43. Where should "never" be placed in: "I have seen such a thing"? ☒ a) Never I have seen such a thing.
b) I never have seen such a thing.
☒ c) I have never seen such a thing.
d) I have seen never such a thing.

44. Choose the correct placement for "quickly": ☒ a) Quickly he ran to the store.
b) He quickly ran to the store.
c) He ran quickly to the store.
☒ d) All of the above are correct.

45. Which sentence correctly places "definitely"? ☒ a) I definitely will help you tomorrow.
b) I will definitely help you tomorrow.
c) I will help definitely you tomorrow.
☒ d) Both a and b are correct.

46. Choose the sentence with correct placement of "at midnight": ☒ a) At midnight the phone rang loudly.
b) The phone at midnight rang loudly.
c) The phone rang at midnight loudly.
d) The phone rang loudly at midnight.

47. Where should "usually" be placed in: "She is late for work"? ☒ a) Usually she is late for work.
b) She usually is late for work.

- ☒ c) She is usually late for work.
d) All of the above are correct.

48. Choose the correct adverb placement: a) He plays well always tennis.

- ☒ b) He always plays tennis well.
c) He plays always tennis well.
d) Always he plays tennis well.

49. Which sentence correctly places "in the library"? a) In the library, she studies quietly every day.

- b) She in the library studies quietly every day.
c) She studies in the library quietly every day.

☒ d) Both a and c are correct.

50. Choose the sentence with correct placement of multiple adverbs: a) She speaks always English fluently at work.

- ☒ b) She always speaks English fluently at work.
c) She speaks English always fluently at work.
d) She speaks fluently English always at work.
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Instructions for Students:

- Complete all 50 questions
- Choose the best answer for each question
- Review narrative tenses, focusing on past perfect continuous usage
- Pay attention to the difference between "so" and "such" constructions
- Consider natural adverb and adverbial phrase positioning in English sentences