

# 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. (f) 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

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### 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. ☒ a) so  
b) such  
c) such a  
d) so a

28. They were \_\_\_\_\_ tired that they fell asleep immediately. ☒ a) 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. ☒ a) 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

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### 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