

Advanced English Grammar Worksheet

Standard: Class 11 | Topics: Tense, Voice, Affirmative to Negative

Instructions: Read each sentence carefully and follow the specific instructions provided in the brackets.

1. By the time the diplomatic envoy arrived, the committee _____ (deliberate) on the treaty for three weeks. (*Fill in the blank with the appropriate tense*)

2. The indigenous community had preserved the ancient manuscript for centuries. (*Change to Passive Voice*)

3. Only the most resilient athletes can endure the sheer physical toll of this ultramarathon. (*Transform into a Negative sentence*)

4. I have been knowing the fundamental principles of quantum mechanics since my sophomore year in college. (*Rewrite the sentence correctly based on rules of tense*)

5. The eccentric billionaire has hidden the vast fortune in a subterranean vault. (*Change to Passive Voice*)

6. As soon as the volatile chemical compound was exposed to oxygen, it spontaneously ignited. (*Transform into a Negative sentence without changing the meaning*)

7. Context: A friend asks why you are covered in mud. Which of the following responses is grammatically correct to emphasize an action that recently stopped but has a visible present result? (*Select the correct dialogue*)

A) "I was fixing the plumbing in the garden."

B) "I have been fixing the plumbing in the garden."

8. The finance minister drafted the contentious legislation regarding the new corporate tax brackets. (*Change to Passive Voice*)

9. The investigative journalist remembered to encrypt her digital files before crossing the border. (*Transform into a Negative sentence*)

10. Had the municipal corporation foreseen the unprecedented torrential rain, they _____ (implement) far more rigorous drainage protocols. (*Fill in the blank with the appropriate tense*)

11. The CEO's unconventional strategy to mitigate the impending financial crisis proved to be highly effective. (*Transform into a Negative sentence using an opposite word*)

12. The executive chef is preparing a delectable seven-course tasting menu for the visiting foreign dignitaries. (*Change to Passive Voice*)

13. The acclaimed astrophysicist is writing a groundbreaking paper on dark matter for the last six months. (*Rewrite the sentence correctly based on rules of tense*)

14. Every member of the grand jury was entirely convinced of the defendant's guilt. (*Transform into a Negative sentence using a double negative*)

15. You must thoroughly investigate the grave allegations of corporate espionage. (*Change to Passive Voice*)

16. I _____ (analyze) the raw data all morning, and I _____ (uncover) three significant statistical anomalies so far. (*Fill in the blanks with the appropriate tenses*)

17. The aesthetic appeal of the newly constructed monolithic monument is permanent. (*Transform into a Negative sentence using an opposite word*)

18. The review board rejected the comprehensive proposal without giving it a proper hearing. (*Change to Passive Voice*)

19. Context: You want to ensure someone that you will be in the middle of driving when they plan to call at exactly 8 PM tomorrow. Which dialogue correctly expresses this? (*Select the correct dialogue*)

A) *"Don't call me at 8 PM; I will drive through the mountains."*

B) *"Don't call me at 8 PM; I will be driving through the mountains."*

20. Only a comprehensive systemic overhaul can salvage this rapidly failing enterprise. (*Transform into a Negative sentence*)

21. Scarcely had the renowned maestro raised his baton to commence the symphony when the auditorium lights _____ (flicker) and died. (*Fill in the blank with the appropriate tense*)

22. The advisory committee has reviewed the architectural blueprints. (*Change to Passive Voice*)

23. By the time the rescue helicopter reached the coordinates, the sun has set completely. (*Rewrite the sentence correctly based on rules of tense*)

24. One should honor one's diplomatic commitments. (*Change to Passive Voice*)

25. As soon as the central bank announced the interest rate hike, panicked investors started liquidating their volatile assets. (*Transform into a Negative sentence*)

Answer Key & Explanations

1. Had been deliberating
2. The ancient manuscript had been preserved by the indigenous community for centuries.
3. None but the most resilient athletes can endure the sheer physical toll of this ultramarathon.
4. I have known the fundamental principles of quantum mechanics since my sophomore year in college. (Rule: Stative verbs like 'know' generally do not take the continuous form).
5. The vast fortune has been hidden by the eccentric billionaire in a subterranean vault.
6. No sooner had the volatile chemical compound been exposed to oxygen than it spontaneously ignited.
7. B) "I have been fixing the plumbing in the garden." (Rule: Present perfect continuous is used for an action that has recently stopped and has a visible effect in the present).
8. the contentious legislation regarding the new corporate tax brackets was drafted by the finance minister.
9. The investigative journalist did not forget to encrypt her digital files before crossing the border.
10. would have implemented
11. The CEO's unconventional strategy to mitigate the impending financial crisis did not prove to be ineffective. (OR: was not ineffective)
12. A delectable seven-course tasting menu is being prepared for the visiting foreign dignitaries by the executive chef.
13. The acclaimed astrophysicist has been writing a groundbreaking paper on dark matter for the last six months.

14. There was no member of the grand jury who was not entirely convinced of the defendant's guilt. (OR: No member of the grand jury was unconvinced of the defendant's guilt.)

15. The grave allegations of corporate espionage must be thoroughly investigated.

16. have been analyzing; have uncovered

17. The aesthetic appeal of the newly constructed monolithic monument is not temporary.

18. The comprehensive proposal was rejected by the review board without being given a proper hearing.

19. B) "Don't call me at 8 PM; I will be driving through the mountains." (Rule: Future continuous emphasizes that the action will be in progress at a specific moment in the future).

20. Nothing but a comprehensive systemic overhaul can salvage this rapidly failing enterprise.

21. flickered

22. The architectural blueprints have been reviewed by the advisory committee.

23. By the time the rescue helicopter reached the coordinates, the sun had set completely.

24. Diplomatic commitments should be honored.

25. No sooner had the central bank announced the interest rate hike than panicked investors started liquidating their volatile assets.