

PRACTICE

MIXED TENSES

I Use the correct form of the verbs in brackets Present Simple / Continuous, Past Simple / Continuous, Will Future, Going to future

1. We often (spend) _____ our summer holiday abroad. Last year we (go) _____ to Spain but this year we (go) _____ to Greece. My mother (book) _____ a hotel on Crete last week. We (leave) _____ on 5 July. The plane (take off) _____ at 11 a.m.

2. A: Why (you, cry) _____?

B: Because this morning someone (steal) _____ all my money while I (shop) _____. Now I can't pay the bills.

A: Don't worry. I (lend) _____ you as much as you need.

3. Peter (work) _____ for a big company making furniture. He (begin) _____ working there 3 years ago. He (not earn) _____ much so he (look) _____ for another job as soon as possible.

4. My mother (fall) _____ ill last week and I (make) _____ all the meals instead of her. She still (not feel) _____ well so she (see) _____ a doctor tomorrow. I hope she (get) _____ better soon.

5. When I (get up) _____ this morning it (rain) _____. Now the sun (shine) _____ so I (go) _____ for a walk. I (be) _____ back in an hour.

6. Jenny (invite) _____ me to her birthday party. It's on Saturday. I (buy) _____ her a book.

7. I (meet) _____ Brenda 5 years ago while I (work) _____ as a waitress. We soon (become) _____ friends and now we (think) _____ of moving in together. We (rent) _____ a flat somewhere in the centre of London.

8. A: Your room is in a mess! When (you, last tidy) _____ it?

B: I don't know... But I (tidy) _____ it this afternoon, I promise!

9. We (buy) _____ this car 20 years ago. It's so old now that it (break) _____ down very often. We (save) _____ money because we (buy) _____ a new one.

10. Brad (fly) _____ to London next week. He (meet) _____ his brother there.

They (not see) _____ each other very often, maybe once or twice a year. They last (meet) _____

for their mother's birthday five months ago.

11. While she (cross) _____ the road on Monday morning a car (knock) _____

her down. Someone (call) _____ the ambulance and they (take) _____

her to hospital. Doctor says she (stay) _____ there for at least a week. I think I (visit) _____

her tomorrow.

12. My mum is very good at sewing. She (make) _____ all my clothes. At the moment she (make) _____

a beautiful silk dress. I (wear) _____ it for my brother's wedding.

13. Father (lose) _____ his job when the factory (close) _____ down. Now he (look) _____

for a new job but if he doesn't find one soon, he (start) _____ his own business.

14. A: Why (you, lie) _____ in bed?

B: I (not feel) _____ well. I think I (catch) _____ a cold when I (play) _____

football yesterday afternoon.

A: I (make) _____ you a cup of tea.

II Use the correct form of the verbs in brackets (mixed tenses):

1. She (never, be) _____ late for school but this morning she (oversleep) _____ and she (come) _____ to school too late. Her teacher hopes she (not oversleep) _____ ever again.