

## The Past Continuous Tense

### Choose the best answer.

1. The exhibition \_\_\_\_\_ in front of the building yesterday afternoon.  
a. is standing    b. were standing    c. was standing    d. are standing
2. What \_\_\_\_\_ your mother \_\_\_\_\_ yesterday morning?  
a. is/doing    b. do/did    c. was/doing    d. had/just done
3. Some of the passengers \_\_\_\_\_ when the bus stopped.  
a. were sleeping    b. was sleeping    c. are sleeping    d. will sleep
4. When the teacher came, I \_\_\_\_\_ to a friend of mine.  
a. am talking    b. should talk    c. am going to talk    d. was talking
5. When my sister opened the door, I \_\_\_\_\_ the dishes.  
a. am washing    b. was washing    c. wash    d. had to wash
6. John \_\_\_\_\_ a bath when the telephone rang.  
a. was having    b. am washing    c. washed    d. has to wash
7. When I saw them, I felt \_\_\_\_\_.  
a. sad & lonely    b. sad & alone    c. surprised & lonely    d. sad & alone
8. When the policeman came, he \_\_\_\_\_ the letter.  
a. is checking up    b. was checking up    c. checked up    d. has checked up
9. I \_\_\_\_\_ the house when the postman came.  
a. am cleaning    b. clean    c. will clean    d. was cleaning
10. The children \_\_\_\_\_ in the garden when it started to snow.  
a. are playing    b. can play    c. were playing    d. have played
11. My class \_\_\_\_\_ the poem when the teacher arrived here.  
a. was preparing    b. was reviewing    c. was doing    d. was doing
12. What \_\_\_\_\_ they \_\_\_\_\_ about?  
a. were    b. do/doing    c. did/doing    d. were/doing
13. It \_\_\_\_\_ cross when the first car accident.  
a. was having    b. am having    c. has    d. will have