

# GRAMMAR TEST

**Name:**

**Date:**

## **A Put the verbs in brackets into the correct tense:**

1. Steve is soaking wet! He \_\_\_\_\_ (wash) the car all afternoon.
2. Julia performed well at the concert. She \_\_\_\_\_ (practice) for months beforehand.
3. \_\_\_\_\_ you \_\_\_\_\_ (ever be) to Spain? Yes, I \_\_\_\_\_ (go) there last year.
4. I \_\_\_\_\_ (wear) my old coat for years, so I decided to buy this new one.
5. I like it here. I \_\_\_\_\_ (live) in this town for six years.
6. They \_\_\_\_\_ (stand) outside when they \_\_\_\_\_ (announced) the results last night.
7. Alexander Graham Bell \_\_\_\_\_ (invent) the telephone.
8. We \_\_\_\_\_ (stay) at this hotel for three weeks when our cousin \_\_\_\_\_ (come) to visit us.
9. Lynne \_\_\_\_\_ (sing) while she \_\_\_\_\_ (clean) the windows.
10. I have no idea where I \_\_\_\_\_ (put) my wallet.
11. Last night I \_\_\_\_\_ (fall) asleep as soon as I \_\_\_\_\_ (close) my eyes.
12. I could tell she \_\_\_\_\_ (win) the competition because she couldn't stop smiling.
13. Sorry, I can't hear you. John \_\_\_\_\_ (play) the piano in the living room.
14. Hurry up! The ship \_\_\_\_\_ (leave) at six o'clock.
15. We \_\_\_\_\_ (walk) along the beach when we heard a cry for help.

16. It was a fine morning. The sun \_\_\_\_\_ (shine) and the \_\_\_\_\_ (sit) on the river bank.
17. Chris \_\_\_\_\_ (be) a sensible person but these days he \_\_\_\_\_ (be) rather foolish, isn't he?
18. By the time I \_\_\_\_\_ (get) home last night, the film \_\_\_\_\_ (start).
19. We \_\_\_\_\_ (stand) in the queue for half an hour when the manager of the bank \_\_\_\_\_ (come) and \_\_\_\_\_ (tell) us there was a problem in the system.
20. Yesterday I \_\_\_\_\_ (do) some paper work when the lights \_\_\_\_\_ (go) out.

**B Transform the following sentences:**

1. She began to play tennis when she was 10.  
**Since** She \_\_\_\_\_ she was ten.
2. I bought this car three years ago.  
**For** I \_\_\_\_\_ three years.
3. I haven't finished writing this report yet.  
**Still** I \_\_\_\_\_ the report.
4. We've never seen such a funny film.  
**Ever** It's the \_\_\_\_\_ seen.
5. He's never played football before.  
**Time** It's the first \_\_\_\_\_ football.
6. John hasn't played golf for years.  
**Time** The \_\_\_\_\_ golf was years ago.
7. When did Mary move to Liverpool?  
**Since** How long is it \_\_\_\_\_ to Liverpool?
8. It was the first time I had met a film star.  
**Never** I \_\_\_\_\_ a film star before.
9. We didn't start tidying up until after the guests had left.  
**Before** We waited until the guests \_\_\_\_\_ tidying up.
10. It's four weeks since I spoke to Paul.  
**Have** I \_\_\_\_\_ for four weeks.