

Choose the option that completes the sentence by using **Simple Past Tense** or **Past Continuous Tense**.

- 1) The hikers _____ the summit while the sun was setting.
A) was reaching B) reached C) were reaching D) reaching
- 2) The researcher _____ experiments when the lab equipment malfunctioned.
A) conducted B) was conducting C) conducts D) were conducting
- 3) She _____ through the park when she bumped into her colleague yesterday morning.
A) was running B) runs C) ran D) were running
- 4) The assistant _____ the call when the system malfunctioned.
A) didn't answering B) wasn't answering C) weren't answering D) didn't answer
- 5) The employees _____ with the CEO yesterday.
A) met B) was meeting C) were meeting D) meeting
- 6) The researchers _____ the study after the grant proposal was approved.
A) were designing B) was designing C) designs D) designed
- 7) The committee _____ the applications all morning.
A) were reviewing B) reviewing C) reviewed D) was reviewing
- 8) The teacher _____ the papers after all the students submitted their work.
A) collected B) was collecting C) were collecting D) collecting
- 9) The nurse _____ the patient's vitals when the doctor entered the room.
A) was checking B) checking C) were checking D) checked
- 10) The architect _____ sustainable design principles into the construction of the new urban district.
A) integrated B) were integrating C) was integrating D) integrating
- 11) The committee members _____ the motion until midnight.
A) was debating B) debates C) debated D) were debating
- 12) The soldiers _____ in formation as the commander observed.
A) marched B) marching C) were marching D) was marching
- 13) The players _____ their moves when the coach arrived.
A) were practicing B) practiced C) was practicing D) practicing
- 14) The engineers _____ the new equipment when a malfunction occurred.
A) tested B) was testing C) were testing D) tests
- 15) The gardener _____ trimming the hedges before the guests arrived.
A) wasn't finishing B) didn't finishing C) weren't finishing D) didn't finish

Answer Sheet (C4MC1)

Simple Past Tense or Past Continuous Tense: Advanced Level: Multiple Choice Quiz 1

- 1) B) reached
- 2) B) was conducting
- 3) A) was running
- 4) D) didn't answer
- 5) A) met
- 6) A) were designing
- 7) D) was reviewing
- 8) A) collected
- 9) A) was checking
- 10) A) integrated
- 11) D) were debating
- 12) C) were marching
- 13) A) were practicing
- 14) C) were testing
- 15) D) didn't finish



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