

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

- 1) The participants \_\_\_\_\_ in the tournament when the prize was announced.  
A) were competing      B) competed      C) competing      D) was competing
- 2) The employees \_\_\_\_\_ the seminar last week.  
A) was attending      B) attending      C) were attending      D) attended
- 3) A group of dancers \_\_\_\_\_ as the sound system malfunctioned.  
A) was performing      B) performed      C) performing      D) were performing
- 4) The artist \_\_\_\_\_ on the sculpture when the funding was approved.  
A) was working      B) worked      C) working      D) were working
- 5) The director \_\_\_\_\_ the casting decision yesterday.  
A) was announcing      B) announced      C) were announcing      D) announcing
- 6) The executive \_\_\_\_\_ the new budget after reviewing the figures.  
A) approved      B) were approving      C) was approving      D) approving
- 7) The researchers \_\_\_\_\_ their findings while we were reviewing the data.  
A) was publishing      B) were publishing      C) published      D) publishes
- 8) My colleague \_\_\_\_\_ at the conference hall at 8:30 a.m. sharp.  
A) arriving      B) arrived      C) were arriving      D) was arriving
- 9) The coordinator \_\_\_\_\_ the project when the power went out.  
A) overseen      B) oversaw      C) was overseeing      D) were overseeing
- 10) The CEO \_\_\_\_\_ the new policy last Monday.  
A) announcing      B) were announcing      C) was announcing      D) announced
- 11) The students \_\_\_\_\_ for the exams all week.  
A) was studying      B) studying      C) were studying      D) studied
- 12) The mechanic \_\_\_\_\_ the engine when a loud noise occurred.  
A) was testing      B) tested      C) were testing      D) tests
- 13) The performers \_\_\_\_\_ the play after the director made revisions.  
A) rehearses      B) was rehearsing      C) were rehearsing      D) rehearsed
- 14) The architect \_\_\_\_\_ a revolutionary skyscraper that reshaped the skyline of the city.  
A) were designing      B) designed      C) was designing      D) designing
- 15) The workers \_\_\_\_\_ early to finish the task yesterday.  
A) arriving      B) were arriving      C) was arriving      D) arrived

# Answer Sheet (C4MC5)

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- 1) A) were competing
- 2) D) attended
- 3) A) was performing
- 4) A) was working
- 5) B) announced
- 6) A) approved
- 7) B) were publishing
- 8) B) arrived
- 9) C) was overseeing
- 10) D) announced
- 11) C) were studying
- 12) A) was testing
- 13) C) were rehearsing
- 14) B) designed
- 15) D) arrived



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