

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

- 1) **The manager \_\_\_\_\_ the new strategy with the team last week.**  
A) was discussing      B) were discussing      C) discussed      D) discussing
- 2) **The employees \_\_\_\_\_ the new strategy while the manager was preparing the presentation.**  
A) were discussing      B) was discussing      C) discussed      D) discussing
- 3) **The children \_\_\_\_\_ in the backyard when their parents called them inside.**  
A) were playing      B) plays      C) played      D) was playing
- 4) **Her sister \_\_\_\_\_ the concert last Friday.**  
A) weren't attending      B) didn't attend      C) wasn't attending      D) didn't attended
- 5) **Some tourists \_\_\_\_\_ photos when the rain started.**  
A) was taking      B) took      C) taking      D) were taking
- 6) **A couple of actors \_\_\_\_\_ their lines for the upcoming play.**  
A) was rehearsing      B) rehearsing      C) rehearsed      D) were rehearsing
- 7) **Some customers \_\_\_\_\_ for their order when the waiter arrived.**  
A) waits      B) waited      C) was waiting      D) were waiting
- 8) **A cat \_\_\_\_\_ a mouse after it ran across the yard.**  
A) were chasing      B) chased      C) was chasing      D) chases
- 9) **A group of tourists \_\_\_\_\_ at the station just before the train left.**  
A) arrives      B) arrived      C) was arriving      D) were arriving
- 10) **A customer \_\_\_\_\_ in line when the cashier called for help.**  
A) waited      B) waiting      C) was waiting      D) were waiting
- 11) **The researchers \_\_\_\_\_ data for the project during the summer.**  
A) were gathering      B) gathered      C) gathering      D) was gathering
- 12) **The dog \_\_\_\_\_ on the porch when the delivery came.**  
A) sat      B) was sitting      C) sits      D) were sitting
- 13) **The children \_\_\_\_\_ outside when the storm started.**  
A) didn't play      B) wasn't playing      C) didn't played      D) weren't playing
- 14) **The team \_\_\_\_\_ when the rain started at 3 PM.**  
A) was training      B) trained      C) were training      D) trains
- 15) **A couple of students \_\_\_\_\_ during the class.**  
A) was talking      B) talked      C) were talking      D) talks

# Answer Sheet (C4MB1)

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