

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

- 1) A man \_\_\_\_\_ to the store at 10 AM this morning when he saw the bus.  
A) was running                      B) ran                      C) runs                      D) were running
- 2) The artist \_\_\_\_\_ a beautiful painting last year.  
A) created                      B) creates                      C) was creating                      D) were creating
- 3) The artist \_\_\_\_\_ a new portrait last Tuesday.  
A) were painting                      B) was painting                      C) paints                      D) painted
- 4) The children \_\_\_\_\_ their snacks when the bell rang.  
A) ate                      B) was eating                      C) were eating                      D) eaten
- 5) Some children \_\_\_\_\_ outside when their parents arrived.  
A) played                      B) was playing                      C) playing                      D) were playing
- 6) The students \_\_\_\_\_ for the final exam as the teacher reviewed the material.  
A) preparing                      B) prepared                      C) was preparing                      D) were preparing
- 7) The students \_\_\_\_\_ to the lecture when the fire drill began.  
A) listened                      B) was listening                      C) were listening                      D) listens
- 8) The children \_\_\_\_\_ football in the park yesterday afternoon.  
A) plays                      B) played                      C) was playing                      D) were playing
- 9) The students \_\_\_\_\_ the concept until the teacher explained it in detail.  
A) didn't understand                      B) wasn't understanding                      C) didn't understands                      D) weren't understanding
- 10) The children \_\_\_\_\_ TV while they were eating dinner.  
A) didn't watch                      B) weren't watching                      C) wasn't watching                      D) didn't watching
- 11) The kids \_\_\_\_\_ inside when it was raining.  
A) weren't playing                      B) didn't played                      C) didn't play                      D) wasn't playing
- 12) A woman \_\_\_\_\_ to her friend when her phone suddenly died.  
A) were talking                      B) talked                      C) was talking                      D) talking
- 13) A teacher \_\_\_\_\_ the assignment before the students started asking questions.  
A) discusses                      B) were discussing                      C) discussed                      D) was discussing
- 14) The man \_\_\_\_\_ down the street when he saw an old friend.  
A) were walking                      B) was walking                      C) walks                      D) walked
- 15) A woman \_\_\_\_\_ a book when the phone rang.  
A) were reading                      B) read                      C) reads                      D) was reading

# Answer Sheet (C4MB10)

## Simple Past Tense or Past Continuous Tense: Intermediate Level: Multiple Choice Quiz 10

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- 1) A) was running
- 2) A) created
- 3) D) painted
- 4) C) were eating
- 5) D) were playing
- 6) D) were preparing
- 7) C) were listening
- 8) B) played
- 9) A) didn't understand
- 10) B) weren't watching
- 11) A) weren't playing
- 12) C) was talking
- 13) C) discussed
- 14) B) was walking
- 15) D) was reading



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