

Practice Questions

1. Hours of driving laid ahead of us.

- A. laid
- B. have lain
- C. lay
- D. has lay
- E. lie

2. By the time we get to the picnic area, the rain will stop.

- A. will stop
- B. shall stop
- C. will has stopped
- D. shall have stopped
- E. will have stopped

3. If Judy would not have missed the deadline, the yearbook delivery would have been on time.

- A. would not have missed
- B. should have not missed
- C. wouldn't have missed
- D. had not missed
- E. would have not missed

4. We spent Sunday afternoon wandering aimless in the park.

- A. wandering aimless
- B. wandering aimlessly
- C. wandering without purpose
- D. wandering in an aimless manner
- E. wandering almost aimlessly

5. Only after I went home did I remember my dental appointment.

- A. went home
- B. had went home
- C. had gone home
- D. gone home
- E. should go home

6. The book lay open at page 77.

- A. lay open
- B. laid open
- C. lied open
- D. lain open
- E. was laid open

7. By this time next year Johanna will begin classes at the University of Colorado.

- A. will begin classes
- B. will have begun classes
- C. has begun classes
- D. should begin classes
- E. should have begun classes

8. After comparing my air conditioner with the one on sale, I decided that mine was the most efficient.

- A. was the most efficient.
- B. should be the most efficient.
- C. was the more efficient.
- D. was, by far the most efficient
- E. should be considered the most efficient.

9. I would have liked to have gone swimming yesterday.

- A. to have gone swimming
- B. to go swimming
- C. to had gone swimming
- D. to go to swim
- E. to of gone swimming

10. I wish I read the chapter before I tried to answer the questions.

- A. read the chapter
- B. would read the chapter
- C. should of read the chapter
- D. could have read the chapter
- E. had read the chapter

11. Nathanael West said that he'd never have written his satirical novel if he had not visited Hollywood.

- A. have written his
- B. would have written his
- C. could of written his
- D. could have written his
- E. should of written his

12. The smell from the paper mill laid over the town like a blanket.

- A. laid
- B. has lain
- C. will lie
- D. lay
- E. has laid

13. When I was halfway down the stairs, I suddenly knew what I had wanted to have said.

- A. to have said
- B. to say
- C. to have been said

- D. to had say
- E. to say

14. I would be more careful if I had been you.

- A. had been
- B. could have been
- C. was
- D. were
- E. could have been

15. They read where the governor has appointed a special committee to improve the school calendar.

- A. where
- B. how
- C. were
- D. of where
- E. wear

16. In study hall I sit besides Paul Smith, who is captain of the swim team and one of the best swimmers in the state.

- A. sit besides
- B. sat beside
- C. have set beside
- D. sit beside
- E. have sit beside

17. This classic has been read with enjoyment for nearly two hundred years.

- A. has been read
- B. will have been read
- C. shall have been read
- D. is being read
- E. was read

18. Many nineteenth-century biographers rely on their imagination, not on real facts.

- A. rely on their imagination,
- B. relied on their imagination,
- C. have relied on their imagination
- D. could have relied on their imagination,
- E. could rely on their imaginations:

19. The private lives of politicians, generals, and other notables fascinates the reading public.

- A. fascinates the reading
- B. have fascinated the reading
- C. will fascinate the reading
- D. fascinate the reading
- E. has fascinate the reading

20. That small man chose a seat near the door and carefully sat down.

- A. sat
- B. will sit
- C. could of sat
- D. have sit down
- E. set down

21. Last summer I worked in the chemical laboratory at the Brass Company; most the work came into the lab for testing marked with the words top priority.

- A. words top priority.
- B. words - top priority.
- C. words: Top priority.
- D. words, "Top Priority."
- E. Words "top priority."