

PAST CONTINUOUS-MULTIPLE CHOICE QUESTIONS

CHOOSE THE CORRECT OPTION

1. Mr. Robinson _____ the guitar when I went into the living room.

- a) were playing
- b) weren't playing
- c) was playing
- d) wasn't playing



2. I stepped on chewing gum while I _____ to work yesterday morning.

- a) was walking
- b) was driving
- c) were walking
- d) were driving



3. Three friends _____ skiing happily this afternoon when they crashed into each other and fell.

- a) wasn't
- b) weren't
- c) was
- d) were



4. Mrs. Martinez was reading a mystery novel at 8 p.m. _____.

- a) at the moment
- b) next weekend
- c) yesterday evening
- d) tomorrow morning



5. My parents _____ talking to each other calmly. They _____ shouting at each other.

- a) weren't / weren't
- b) weren't / were
- c) were / weren't
- d) were / were



6. Bob: _____ were you doing when it started hailing?

Sue: I was playing out.

- e) What
- f) Where
- g) Why
- h) Which



7. Michael _____ a boiled egg, cheese and olives for breakfast this morning.

- a) wasn't eating
- b) weren't eating
- c) was eating
- d) were eating



8. I know that our enemies _____ me when I was lost in the forest yesterday.

- a) was helping
- b) were helping
- c) was watching
- d) were watching



9. I fell down and hurt my arm last Saturday because I _____ ice skating well.

- a) was
- b) wasn't
- c) were
- d) weren't



10. Some of the patients _____ for me when I reached the hospital.

- a) wasn't waiting
- b) weren't waiting
- c) was waiting
- d) were waiting



11. Ann: _____ were dancing in the classroom in the break?

Gary: Pam and I.

- a) What
- b) Where
- c) Which
- d) Who



12. Donald _____ sitting quietly in his desk and _____ to his maths teacher carefully.

- a) was / speaking
- b) were / speaking
- c) was / listening
- d) were / listening



13. People _____ at the young couple when they entered the ballroom.

- a) were looking
- b) was looking
- c) were watching
- d) was watching



14. Matthew lost the race because the others _____ faster than him.

- a) was running
- b) wasn't running
- c) were running
- d) weren't running



15. My sister _____ with her friends when I came. She was planting a flower.

- a) was playing
- b) wasn't playing
- c) were playing
- d) weren't playing



16. Mr. Collins _____ when he saw a huge brown bear behind the bushes.

- a) were hike
- b) were hiking
- c) was hike
- d) was hiking



17. People _____ waiting for the manager for the meeting when he called to cancel it.

- a) was
- b) wasn't
- c) were
- d) weren't



18. Joe: _____ were you doing when I telephoned you?

Sara: I was reading a novel.

- a) Where
- b) What
- c) Who
- d) Which



19. Mr. Lewis _____ only salad at dinner yesterday evening because he went on a strict diet.

- a) was eating
- b) wasn't eating
- c) were eating
- d) weren't eating



20. Amy: _____ Rose _____ rope with her friends an hour ago?

Bill: Yes, she was.

- a) Was / skip
- b) Was / skipping
- c) Were / skip
- d) Were / skipping



ANSWER KEY

- 1) c
- 2) a
- 3) d
- 4) c
- 5) b
- 6) a
- 7) a
- 8) d
- 9) b
- 10) d
- 11) d
- 12) c
- 13) a
- 14) c
- 15) b
- 16) d
- 17) c
- 18) b
- 19) a
- 20) b