

A. Fill in the blanks with the correct form of the verb given in brackets.

1. The earth _____ (revolve) around the sun.
2. Listen! The baby _____ (cry).
3. She _____ (live) in Cuttack since 2020.
4. My father _____ (work) in a bank.
5. He _____ (go) there by bus daily.
6. We _____ (not complete) our project yet.
7. When I reached home, my mother _____ (cook) dinner.
8. The train _____ (leave) before we reached the station.
9. They _____ (play) football when it started raining.
10. Last year we _____ (visit) Puri.
11. He _____ (not write) the test yesterday because he was sick.
12. Look at the clouds! It _____ (rain) soon.
13. She _____ (leave) for Delhi next Monday.
14. Don't worry, I _____ (help) you with homework.
15. If you _____ (study) hard, you will pass.
16. She usually _____ (walk) to school, but today she _____ (go) by cycle.
17. I _____ (never see) such a beautiful rainbow before.
18. While mother _____ (cook), the phone rang.
19. By 8 pm, we _____ (finish) dinner.
20. The Prime Minister _____ (visit) Odisha next month.
21. Look! The children _____ (play) in the rain.
22. We _____ (live) in this city for 10 years. We shifted here in 2016.
23. If it rains, the match _____ (cancel).
24. He _____ (write) a letter when I saw him.
25. The train _____ already _____ (leave) by the time we reached.
26. Water _____ (boil) at 100°C.
27. I _____ (not meet) her since we left school.
28. _____ (do) that airline _____ (fly) to Paris?
29. Before I _____ (know) it, she had run out of the door.
30. She promised that she _____ (call) me later.
31. He _____ (suffer) from fever for the last 3 days.
32. You always _____ (make) the same mistake!
33. I _____ (complete) my homework before you came.
34. The sun _____ (rise) when we started the journey.
35. They _____ (watch) TV when the lights went out.
36. One of my friends _____ (be) a doctor.
37. The police _____ (catch) the thief yesterday.
38. By next July, I _____ (study) here for 2 years.
39. He said that he _____ (be) very tired.

40. Stop talking! The teacher ____ (explain) an important rule.

ANSWER KEY –

1. revolves
2. is crying
3. has been living
4. works
5. goes
6. have not completed
7. was cooking
8. had left
9. were playing
10. visited
11. did not write
12. is going to rain
13. is leaving / will leave
14. will help
15. study
16. walks, is going
17. have never seen
18. was cooking
19. will have finished
20. is visiting / will visit
21. are playing
22. have been living
23. will be cancelled
24. was writing
25. had already left
26. boils
27. have not met
28. Does, fly
29. knew
30. would call
31. has been suffering
32. are always making
33. had completed
34. had risen / was rising
35. were watching
36. is

37. caught
38. will have been studying
39. was
40. is explaining

B. Fill in the with appropriate prepositions or prepositional phrases.

1. She is afraid _____ the Alsatian dog.
2. Who is this book written _____ ?
3. His teacher was displeased _____ his work.
4. I would rather have coffee _____ tea.
5. She didn't allow cancer to discourage her. _____, she began to work twice as hard.
6. My parents were pleased _____ my obedience.
7. _____ working as a doctor, he also writes novels in his spare time.
8. I am standing here _____ my colleagues.
9. The prisoner has been set free _____ jail.
10. Ellie came back _____ the hall.
11. The minister has promised to look _____ the matter and announce a decision at an early date.
12. _____ the rains, they went out.
13. _____ his illness, he could not finish the work in time.
14. Abhimanyu is proficient _____ playing chess.
15. Jacky is familiar _____ the area. He can take you around.
16. They are different _____ appearance.
17. _____, I had a happy childhood.
18. The people of Iceland are _____ the friendliest people in the world.
19. The chief guest was accompanied _____ his spouse.
20. _____ fire, break glass to escape.

Answer

1. She is afraid **of** the Alsatian dog.
2. Who is this book written **by**?
3. His teacher was displeased **with** his work.

4. I would rather have coffee **instead of** tea.
5. She didn't allow cancer to discourage her. **On the contrary**, she began to work twice as hard.
6. My parents were pleased **with** my obedience.
7. **Besides/ Apart from** working as a doctor, he also writes novels in his spare time.
8. I am standing here **on behalf of** my colleagues.
9. The prisoner has been set free **from** jail.
10. Ellie came back **into** the hall.
11. The minister has promised to look **into** the matter and announce a decision at an early date.
12. **Despite/ in spite of** the rains, they went out.
13. **Due to/ as a consequence of/owing to / because of** his illness, he could not finish the work in time.
14. Abhimanyu is proficient **at** playing chess.
15. Jacky is familiar **with** the area. He can take you around.
16. They are different **in** appearance.
17. **On the whole**, I had a happy childhood.
18. The people of Iceland are **among** the friendliest people in the world.
19. The chief guest was accompanied **by** his spouse.
20. **In case of** fire, break glass to escape.