

EXERCISES ON TENSES

1. I (see) him twice before he left for New York.
2. The train already (leave) when I arrived at the station.
3. After he (finish) his exam, he went to London.
4. He (work) in a supermarket before he (work) as a postman.
5. He just (start) to watch TV when the telephone (ring)
6. Before she went to bed, she (listen) to her favourite CD.
7. She (go) home after she (do) her shopping.
8. Tom was very angry because Mary (shout) at him.
9. Jane (finish) her work by the time we got there.
10. By the time you (arrive) yesterday, we (finish) our dinner.
11. The children (make) a lot of noise now. I (be) afraid
they (wake) up my father, who (sleep) in the next room.
12. Linda was busy when we (go) to see her yesterday. She was studying for an
exam. We (not want) to disturb her so we (not stay) very long.
13. When I first (tell) Tom the news, he (not believe) me. He
(think) that I was joking.
14. Last night I went to a party. When I (get) there, the room (be)
full of people.
15. My cousin (run) away from home but he (come) back two days later.
16. When I (open) my wallet the money (disappear)
17. When we arrived, the others already (leave)
- 18/ When we (pay) the bill , we (leave) the restaurant .
- 19/ David (earn) some money last week. But I'm afraid he already (spend)
..... it all.
- 20/ We (plant) an apple tree in the garden . Unfortunately it (die)2
- 21/By the time I got to the station the train already (leave)
- 22/ By the time I (get) to the party, most people (go)
..... home.
- 23/ I (not laugh) at the joke because I (hear)..... it before.
- 24/ I (not feel) well for weeks before I finally (go)
..... to see the doctor.
- 25/ When I (arrive) at the bus station late yesterday, my bus (leave)