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Answer Key

Verbs in Past Tense

This is the answer key to Unit 3 - Using verbs in past tense

Exercise 1

1) cleaned 2) walked 3) cooked 4) sewed 5) filmed 6) played 7) rested

Exercise 2

1) dried 2) worried 3) copied 4) cried 5) tried 6) fried 7) buried

Exercise 3

1) trapped 2) jogged 3) flipped 4) chopped 5) mixed 6) dragged 7) tipped

Exercise 4

1) was 2) made 3) chose 4) fell 5) kept 6) met 7) rang

Exercise 5

1) cut 2) shut 3) quit 4) hurt 5) put 6) hit 7) cost

Exercise 6

1) bought (irregular) (2) bent (irregular) 3) painted (regular) 4) knew (irregular) 5) taught (irregular) 6) lent (irregular) 7) hoped (regular) 8) framed (regular) 9) exercised (regular) 10) stood (irregular)

Exercise 7

1) was (irregular) 2) mowed (regular) 3) hid (irregular) 4) led (irregular) 5) laid (irregular) 6) finished (regular) 7) called (regular) 8) did (irregular) 9) went (irregular) 10) stitched (regular)

Exercise 8

1) built (irregular) 2) looked (regular) 3) planted (regular) 4) chose (irregular) 5) grew (irregular) 6) walked (regular) 7) sold (irregular) 8) came (irregular) 9) paid (irregular) 10) opened (regular)

Exercise 9

1) began (irregular) 2) pushed (regular) 3) moved (regular) 4) found (irregular) 5) sent (irregular) 6) baked (regular) 7) spent (irregular) 8) stood (irregular) 9) acted (regular) 10) gave (irregular)

Exercise 10

1) joined (regular) 2) rode (irregular) 3) drank (irregular) 4) swam (irregular) 5) presented (regular) 6) surprised (regular) 7) scared (regular) 8) ran (irregular) 9) left (irregular) 10) lit (irregular)

Exercise 11

1) taught, was 2) fed, were 3) went, knew 4) was, cleaned 5) put, ate 6) found, looked 7) liked, was 8) saw, came 9) went, stayed 10) played, snowed, fell

Exercise 12

1) bit, called 2) hung, told, did not like 3) liked, were, played 4) flew, went 5) held, was not 6) did not think, looked, picked 7) dug, played 8) did not plant, died, grew 9) sold, wanted 10) left, did not serve

Exercise 13

1) frequently drove 2) usually stayed 3) already played 4) slowly dropped 5) kindly spoke 6) normally waited 7) still looked 8) quickly drew 9) patiently waited 10) happily cheered

Exercise 14

1) was 2) did not like 3) did not like 4) cried 5) was 6) stopped 7) did not quit 8) continued 9) learned 10) passed 11) became 12) graduated 13) decided 14) wanted 15) called 16) taught 17) was 18) said 19) needed 20) said 21) cost 22) worked

Exercise 15

1) was walking 2) was playing 3) were watching 4) were staying 5) was smelling 6) were planting 7) was barking

Exercise 16

1) was swimming 2) were sitting 3) were running 4) was stopping 5) was fitting 6) was waxing 7) were shopping

Exercise 17

1) was biking 2) was making 3) were caring 4) were taking 5) was becoming 6) was staring 7) were looking

Exercise 18

1) was calling 2) were buying 3) was skating 4) were baking 5) was teaching 6) was playing 7) was meeting 8) were sitting 9) were joking 10) was thinking

Exercise 19

1) was mapping 2) were walking 3) was looking 4) was paying 5) was sewing 6) were going 7) was hoping 8) were biting 9) were rowing 10) was digging

Exercise 20

1) were watching, were singing 2) was putting, was looking 3) was growing 4) was leaving 5) were wearing 6) were hiding, were getting 7) was bouncing, was blowing, was scaring 8) was sharing, were racing 9) was fixing 10) were spending, were doing

Exercise 21

1) was learning (+) 2) was not mowing (-) 3) was not hiding (-) 4) were taking (+) 5) was feeding (+) 6) was not serving (-) 7) was singing (+) 8) were not listening (-) 9) was not surfing (-) 10) were running (+)

Exercise 22

1) was usually baking 2) was always wearing 3) were still driving 4) was already running 5) were frequently stealing 6) were rarely traveling 7) was sometimes making 8) was never coming 9) were normally cleaning 10) was quickly writing

Exercise 23

1) was spending 2) was playing 3) was ringing 4) was blaring 5) was not feeling 6) was racing 7) was burning 8) was sleeping 9) were running 10) was already burning 11) was not thinking 12) was still breathing 13) was not breathing 14) was putting

Exercise 24

1) were walking, reached 2) was treating, got 3) were climbing, fell, broke 4) was digging, crawled 5) were sitting, lit 6) was riding, hit 7) was earning, retired 8) was wearing, found 9) was hoping, bought 10) was watering, appeared

Exercise 25

1) decided 2) were wearing 3) crashed 4) were walking, began 5) forgave 6) wanted, ended 7) made 8) were living 9) closed, ended 10) was introducing, made

Exercise 26

1) was learning, won 2) was enjoying, did not remember 3) were playing, squeaked, felt 4) were preparing, discovered, did not land 5) was trying, heard 6) were sailing, struck, did not like 7) were sitting, crawled, did not see, got 8) was taking, ordered, decided 9) were touring, called, did not want 10) was looking, found, were

Exercise 27

1) was walking 2) appeared 3) ran 4) was 5) laughed 6) stopped 7) was trying 8) was nipping 9) looked 10) was 11) had 12) was wiggling 13) began 14) noticed 15) was following 16) seemed 17) had 18) came 19) were 20) were barking 21) stopped 22) was trembling 23) did not want 24) turned 25) ran

Exercise 28

1) had studied 2) had picked 3) had expected 4) had played 5) had enjoyed 6) had looked 7) had jumped

Exercise 29

1) had worked 2) had enjoyed 3) had failed 4) had called 5) had scratched 6) had started 7) had scared 8) had argued 9) had finished 10) had behaved

Exercise 30

1) had known 2) had begun 3) had eaten 4) had hidden 5) had ridden 6) had flown 7) had fallen 8) had sung 9) had written 10) had worn

Exercise 31

1) had not stood (irregular) 2) had not had (irregular) 3) had not saved (regular) 4) had not worked (regular) 5) had not swung (irregular) 6) had not taken (irregular) 7) had not slept (irregular) 8) had not fixed (regular) 9) had not surfed (regular) 10) had not expected (regular)

Exercise 32

1) had already adopted (regular) 2) had seldom played (regular) 3) had recently disappeared (regular) 4) had quickly sold (irregular) 5) had never forgiven (irregular) 6) had seriously considered (regular) 7) had frequently thought (irregular) 8) had usually watched (regular) 9) had solemnly sworn (irregular) 10) had still cost (irregular)

Exercise 33

1) had been going 2) had been talking 3) had been thinking 4) had been racing 5) had been driving 6) had been making 7) had been growing

Exercise 34

1) had been aching 2) had not been keeping 3) had been planning 4) had been living 5) had not been hanging 6) had been supplying 7) had been painting 8) had been feeling 9) had not been cooking 10) had been calling

Exercise 35

1) had normally been carrying 2) had still been practicing 3) had already been milking 4) had always been scratching 5) had often been finding 6) had seldom been reading 7) had never been skiing 8) had happily been preparing 9) had faithfully been bringing 10) had persistently been barking

Exercise 36

1) had been feeling 2) had died 3) had not had 4) had called 5) had been baking 6) had always enjoyed 7) had found 8) had sorted 9) had been making 10) had never been 11) had won 12) had always taken 13) had often gone 14) had been making 15) had collected

Exercise 37

1) grew 2) had moved 3) visited 4) flew 5) had never met 6) had 7) were playing 8) cooked 9) had been 10) had been saving 11) had given 12) died 13) had been 14) had already gone 15) were quietly sitting 16) missed 17) paused 18) had been looking 19) arrived 20) were discussing 21) had been used 22) did 23) said 24) was not 25) thought 26) had become