

Mixed English tenses

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Exercise 1: 15 points (1 point for each sentence)

Liz told us she used to be slim.
He asked me why I was wearing such a hat.
Terence said he would not do it if he was/were me.
They claimed that they would stay in Madrid.
She told us not to open the door.
Susan replied that she was just looking.
They explained that they had come a year before.
He admitted that he had never eaten that cake.
He wanted to know if/whether I was from France.
She said I had to help her.
He told me he had not been doing anything.
I knew that the Amazon is/was the biggest river.
They claimed that they couldn't swim in the sea.
He said he couldn't go to school.
She wondered why I didn't like it.

Exercise 2: 8 points (1 point for each sentence)

White bricks are used to build the hall.
The road must not be crossed now.
The dinner was being cooked at 7 o'clock.
Derek will be informed by Mr. Black.
This picture was painted by El Greco.
The old school is being knocked down.
Has the light been switched on?
Bicycles may be left in the schoolyard.

Exercise 3: 7 points (1 point for each sentence)

Were your children admitted to see it?
Will Susan be invited?/Has Susan been invited?
Had people been warned before?
Must handbags be left here?
Has anything else been changed?
Where were the robbers caught?
Has anybody been killed?

TOTAL 30 points

Great! 27 points
Very good 24 points
Good 21 points
I'm sorry 1 - 20 points

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