

The Present Perfect and Past Perfect Tenses

Decide whether the underlined verb phrase in each sentence is in the present, past, present perfect, or past perfect tense. Mark your answer on the answer sheet.

1. The field of archaeology has helped us learn much about the past.
A present **C** present perfect
B past **D** past perfect
2. Archaeologists have found many clues.
A present **C** present perfect
B past **D** past perfect
3. These scientists dig in the ground for fossils and other relics of the past.
A present **C** present perfect
B past **D** past perfect
4. Some people have compared archaeology and paleontology, the study of past animal and plant life.
A present **C** present perfect
B past **D** past perfect
5. But archaeology focuses on human past, not animals or plants.
A present **C** present perfect
B past **D** past perfect
6. In 1922, a man named Howard Carter made an amazing find.
A present **C** present perfect
B past **D** past perfect
7. He had discovered the tomb of ancient Egyptian King Tutankhamen.
A present **C** present perfect
B past **D** past perfect
8. This tomb sat in the Valley of the Kings in Egypt.
A present **C** present perfect
B past **D** past perfect
9. This area has held the remains of Egyptian kings for centuries.
A present **C** present perfect
B past **D** past perfect
10. Carter's discovery captured the interest of the world.
A present **C** present perfect
B past **D** past perfect
11. In fact, people today still show interest in King Tut's tomb.
A present **C** present perfect
B past **D** past perfect
12. This tomb had revealed many interesting facts about ancient Egypt.
A present **C** present perfect
B past **D** past perfect
13. Archaeologists learned about the importance of burials in this culture.
A present **C** present perfect
B past **D** past perfect
14. They also learned that Egyptians had believed in an afterlife.
A present **C** present perfect
B past **D** past perfect
15. The ancient Egyptians had designed these tombs carefully.
A present **C** present perfect
B past **D** past perfect
16. Archaeologists continue to learn about this culture.
A present **C** present perfect
B past **D** past perfect
17. They have studied many other ancient cultures around the world as well.
A present **C** present perfect
B past **D** past perfect
18. Scientists have discovered fascinating remains at the ancient city of Pompeii.
A present **C** present perfect
B past **D** past perfect