Past Tense, Present Perfect and Past Perfect – Mixed Exercises

Gemischte Übungen zu Imperfekt, Perfekt und Plusquamperfekt

Übungen

I. Put the verbs in brackets into the correct tense.

Setze die Verben in Klammern in die richtige Zeit!

- 1. When Roger (to come) home from school, his mother (to wait) for him for almost 2 hours.
- 2. She asked him: "Why (you/not/to come) earlier? Dinner (to be) ready for over an hour now."
- 3. Roger replied: "I (to want) to be punctual, but we (must/to stay) in school longer."
- 4. "What (you/to do) that you (must/to stay) so long?" his mother asked.
- 5. "When the teacher (to come) in, we (to jump) over the tables in our class-room."
- 6. "I (not/to hear) such a stupid thing for years", exclaimed his mother.
- 7. When Inspector Blockhead (to arrive) at the hotel, he (to find) that a terrible crime (to be committed).
- **8.** He (not/to stand) there long when suddenly one of the guests (to want) to speak to him.
- **9.** He (to say) that he (to watch) TV when suddenly he (to hear) a shot.
- 10. He (to run) to the window at once and (to see) a woman leaving the hotel in a hurry.
- 11. She (to wear) a grey fur coat.
- 12. When the guest (to mention) the grey fur coat, the inspector immediately (to know) who the woman (to be).
- **13.** He (to write) down the address and (to tell) one of the officers to go there directly.
- **14.** The officer (to do) as he (to be told).
- 15. The inspector (to smile) and (to say): "I'm very happy to say that we (already/to solve) the case."
- **16.** He added: "I (to have) a feeling that this woman (to be) the murderer from the moment we (to come) here."
- 17. This (to be) the first case in over 2 years which Inspector Blockhead (to finish) in such a short time.
- 18. 2 hours later the officer (to return) with the woman in the grey fur coat.
- 19. He (to arrest) her while she (to try) to drive to the airport.
- 20. Inspector Blockhead (to be promoted) and (to be) happy ever since.