## Verbs (Intermediate)

1. The study faced an uphill battle for approval from the large team of collaborators. Several scientists worried that negative results from the proposed study will cause it to be perceived as a failure, which was a rational fear in a competitive funding environment.
A) NO CHANGE
B) caused
C) is causing
D) would cause
2. Ancient stories, such as the heroic Greek epic The Iliad written in the eighth century BC, has been long cherished throughout history and are still relevant today.
A) NO CHANGE
B) was
C) have been
D) is
3. In 2000, people across the United States, but especially Florida voters, appears to be waiting anxiously to learn whether George H.W. Bush or Al Gore had won the presidential election.
A) NO CHANGE
B) has been
C) was
D) were
4. Two pieces of complicated evidence, each of which I will explain in detail today, is essential to solving this case.
A) NO CHANGE
B) has been
C) have been
D) was
5. Manta rays are fascinating creatures; they have the largest brain-to-body weight ratio of any living fish. In addition, the skin of all manta rays, according to marine biologists, has tiny "denticles" that look like teeth embedded within.
A) NO CHANGE
B) happen to be
C) was
D) have
6. The per capita rate of car ownership, though absolutely a relevant variable, is only one of many that influence air quality. Other factors, like population and technological development, also effect the level of pollution.
A) NO CHANGE
B) affect
C) effects
D) affects
7. The judges, so impressed by the dancer's performance that they called it perfect, refused to even consider any of the other competitors for the award.
A) NO CHANGE
B) judges, and having been
C) judges were
D) judges had been
8. Rows upon rows of boxes and plastic bin packed with notes, transcripts of interviews, and taped audio recordings - thousands of pieces of research accumulated in over a decade of work-has been stuffed into the room.
A) NO CHANGE
B) was
C) were
D) DELETE the underlined portion.
9. The combination of professional jousting and over-the-top antics, a formula honed over years of performances, makes the tournament extremely entertaining.
A) NO CHANGE
B) have been making
C) are making
D) make
10. Before seeing the film, Martin's enthusiasm about the impacts of the movements it documented were based mostly on his assumption that they were truly revolutionary.
A) NO CHANGE
B) are
C) was
D) have been
11. The prosecutor is calm and collected as she prepares for court. Though the ultimate outcome of the case is still in doubt, a quick glimpse of the photos to be presented for evidence today has gave conclusive evidence for the defendant's guilt.
A) NO CHANGE
B) gives
C) have given
D) give
12. Learning new languages, a demanding process involving many essential skills, requires one to be committed to both improving incrementally and understanding that failure is not only expected but also necessary.
A) NO CHANGE
B) have required
C) are requiring
D) require
13. As organic farmers have improved their efficiency while consumers have grown accustomed to higher overall food prices due to inflation, organic food-especially produce-becomes increasingly more competitive with non-organic food, although it is still comparatively more expensive.
A) NO CHANGE
B) had become
C) has become
D) will have become
14. Completed projects by HEP, most consisting of the creation of parks, include some fascinating multi-use spaces. One of these spaces, constructed to help secure the riverbanks, also has an open air stage.
A) NO CHANGE
B) have
C) having
D) have had
15. Maria Elena Gonzalez, internationally recognized for her innovative blend of architecture and sculpture, was born in Cuba in 1957. Just four years before Gonzales' birth were the onset of the Cuban revolution.
A) NO CHANGE
B) are
C) was
D) is
