Tenses Exercise

Fill in the blanks with an appropriate tense form.

1. When I opened my eyes, I ………………. a strange sight.

saw
was seeing
have seen

2. Every morning she …………….. up early and gets ready for work.

is waking
wakes
has woken

3. If I knew what he wanted, I ………………. this.

will not permit
would not permit
would not have permitted

4. I …………………….. anything from her in a long time.

didn't hear
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haven't heard
am not hearing

5. The headmaster ................. to talk to you.

want
wants
is wanting


is living
lives
has lived

7. We ...................... Greece next month.

visit
will visit
would visit
are visiting

8. The moon .................. around the earth.

is revolving
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9. She ...................... a novel.

wrote  
writes  
has written

10. All students .................. in their work.

handed  
have handed  
hand

11. I ....................... English for twelve years.

am teaching  
have been teaching  
will be teaching

12. The students ...................... their dialogues.

rehearse
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are rehearsing
Either could be used here

Answers

1. When I opened my eyes, I saw a strange sight.
2. Every morning she wakes up early and gets ready for work.
3. If I knew what he wanted, I would not permit this.
4. I haven’t heard anything from her in a long time.
5. The headmaster wants to talk to you.
7. We are visiting Greece next month.
8. The moon revolves around the earth.
9. She has written a novel.
10. All students have handed in their work.
11. I have been teaching English for twelve years.
12. The students are rehearsing their dialogues.