Tenses Exercise

Fill in the blanks with an appropriate tense form.

   - test fired
   - has test fired
   - had test fired

2. Australia ..................... 40% of the world’s known uranium reserves.
   - hold
   - holds
   - has held
   - is holding

3. Union cabinet .................. the landmark civilian nuclear co-operation agreement with the USA in March.
   - has approved
   - is approving
   - approved
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4. A group of students ................. an environmentally friendly Eco One race car.
   built
   have built
   had built
   build

5. A powerful earthquake ................. Japan on July 16 killing and injuring several people.
   hits
   hit
   has hit
   had hit

6. After analyzing thousands of skulls British scientists ....................... at the conclusion that modern humans ....................... from a single point in Africa.
   have arrived, originated
   have arrived, have originated
   are arriving, have originated
7. Scientists think they ......................... the energy source of the spectacular colour displays seen in the Northern Lights.

discovered
have discovered
had discovered

8. The world’s oceans which ...................... about a third of the carbon dioxide emitted from burning fossil fuels ...................... more acidic.

are absorbing, are becoming
absorb, are becoming
absorb, had become

9. Babylonians were the first to make New Year resolutions and people all over the world ......................... them ever since.

are breaking
broke
have been breaking

10. During his childhood days, he .........................
barefoot deep into the forest to collect firewood.

have trudged
will trudge
would trudge

11. The world’s oldest city .................. in the deserts of Peru, or so believes a group of archaeologists.

is existing
existed
has existed

12. The castle ......................... on the hill for 500 years.

Please select 2 correct answers

is standing
has stood
has been standing

Answers

1. Pakistan successfully test fired its nuclear capable radar dodging cruise missile on July 26.
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2. Australia holds 40% of the world’s known uranium reserves.

3. Union cabinet approved the landmark civilian nuclear co-operation agreement with USA in March.

4. A group of students have built an environmentally friendly Eco One race car.

5. A powerful earthquake hit Japan on July 16 killing and injuring several people.

6. After analyzing thousands of skulls British scientists have arrived at the conclusion that modern humans originated from a single point in Africa.

7. Scientists think they have discovered the energy source of the spectacular colour displays seen in the Northern Lights.

8. The world’s oceans which absorb about a third of the carbon dioxide emitted from burning fossil fuels are becoming more acidic.

9. Babylonians were the first to make New Year resolutions and people all over the world have been breaking them ever since.

10. During his childhood days, he would trudge barefoot deep into the forest to collect firewood.

11. The world’s oldest city existed in the deserts of Peru, or so believes a group of archaeologists.

12. The castle has stood / has been standing on the hill for 500 years.