

Tenses Exercise

Fill in the blanks with an appropriate tense form.

1. An addressing machine the handling of bulk mail.

is facilitating
facilitate
facilitates

2. The old shepherd at age 95 still the full possession of his faculties.

has enjoyed
would enjoy
enjoys

3. Jim is an extrovert who to meet people.

love
loves
is loving

4. Let's see how she herself

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from this embarrassing situation.

is extricating
extricates
has extricated

5. The hillside with an exuberant growth of weeds.

covers
is covering
is covered

6. The play was so successful that it an extended engagement at the local theater.

has
have
had

7. An extensive desert much of northern Africa.

covers
is covering

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has covered

8. During World War II, many Germans
..... in the United States.

were settling
had settled
settled

9. The novel Tom Sawyer
19th century life in the United States.

is exemplifying
exemplifies
was exemplifying

10. Chess a lot of mental
exertion.

is requiring
requires
has required

11. I have bought a chicken in case your father

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..... stay to lunch.

should

might

Either could be used here

12. In case the ranch burns down, we
..... the insurance money.

get

will get

would get

Answers

1. An addressing machine facilitates the handling of bulk mail.
2. The old shepherd at age 95 still enjoys the full possession of his faculties.
3. Jim is an extrovert who loves to meet people.
4. Let's see how she extricates herself from this embarrassing situation.
5. The hillside is covered with an exuberant growth of weeds.
6. The play was so successful that it had an extended engagement at the local theater.
7. An extensive desert covers much of northern Africa.
8. During World War II, many Germans settled in the United States.
9. The novel Tom Sawyer exemplifies 19th century life in the United States.
10. Chess requires a lot of mental exertion.
11. I have bought a chicken in case your father might / should stay to lunch.
12. In case the ranch burns down, we will get the insurance money.