

# 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.