Verbs Exercise

Fill in the blanks with an appropriate verb form.

1. The government ……………………… a consumer protection agency last month.
   
institutes

instituted

has instituted

2. The university ……………………… to establish an institute for Asian studies.
   
plans

will plan

has planned

3. The institution of slavery ……………………… once widespread.
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4. She _____________________ that she heard someone in the house.

- insists
- insisted
- has insisted

5. The auditor _____________________ the books every month.

- inspects
- is inspecting
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had inspected

6. A fair and kind employer ………………………… loyalty.

has inspired

inspires

inspired

7. Everyone …………………………… as an individual.

should recognize

should be recognized

8. When we got talking I found out that we …………………………… at school together twenty-
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five years before.

were

have been

had been

9. My mom has a strange accent. She almost __________________ foreign.

has sounded

sounds

sounded

10. I will call you before I _________________

came

come
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11. He ……………………….. school when he was twelve.

   will come
   has left
   left
   had left

12. You ……………………………. me you were not coming.

   could tell
   could have told

Answers

1. The government instituted a consumer protection agency last month.
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2. The university plans to establish an institute for Asian studies.

3. The institution of slavery was once widespread.

4. She insisted that she heard someone in the house.

5. The auditor inspects the books every month.

6. A fair and kind employer inspires loyalty.

7. Everyone should be recognized as an individual.

8. When we got talking I found out that we had been at school together twenty-five years before.

9. My mom has a strange accent. She almost sounds foreign.

10. I will call you before I come.

11. He left school when he was twelve.

12. You could have told me you were not coming.