Verbs Exercise

Fill in the blanks with an appropriate tense form.

1. I ………………………. running every morning.
   - go
   - am going
   - have gone

2. All parents …………………………….. their children to succeed in life.
   - want
   - wants
   - are wanting

3. The British once ……………………………. many countries in Asia and Africa.
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5. He …………………………. ill for two months before he died.
6. His father ………………………….. yesterday.

- has died
- died
- had died

7. Rain-fed rivers …………………………… up in summer.

- dry
- are drying
- dries

8. Kind words …………………………… others joy.

- give
- are giving
9. He .................................. smoke a lot but now he doesn’t.

used to

was used to

was using to

10. When we lived in the countryside, I .................................. spend the evening working in my garden.

would

used to

Either could be used here
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11. There …………………………….. be a tea stall in that corner.

would

used to

Either could be used here

12. They donated his organs so that he …………………………….. live through others.

would

might

Either could be used here

Answers

I go running every morning.
All parents want their children to succeed in life.
The British once ruled many countries in Asia and Africa.
Grandpa called on yesterday.
He had been ill for two months before he died.
His father died yesterday.
Rain-fed rivers dry up in summer.
Kind words give others joy.
He used to smoke a lot but now he doesn’t.
When we lived in the countryside, I would /used to spend the evening working in my garden.
There used to be a tea stall in that corner.
They donated his organs so that he would / might live through others.