

**Sequence of tenses: grammar exercise**

Complete the following sentences using an appropriate form of the verb.

1. Suddenly she gave a loud scream and ..... to the ground.

fell

has fallen

had fallen

2. After questioning he ..... to go home.

allowed

had allowed

was allowed

3. They would have won if they ..... a bit harder.

played

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have played

had played

4. She ..... to say that she disagreed.

heard

was heard

had heard

5. Although they ..... defeated, they did not lose heart.

are

were

has been

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6. Our teacher taught us that virtue  
..... its own reward.

is

was

has been

7. The teacher asked the boys whether they  
..... the problems.

solved

have solved

had solved

8. He declared that he would not believe it even if  
he ..... it with his own eyes.

saw

have seen

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had seen

9. The room ..... but the police failed to find anything suspicious.

searched

was searched

had searched

10. The government has announced that taxes  
.....

will raise

will be raised

would be raised

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### Answers

1. Suddenly she gave a loud scream and fell to the ground.
2. After questioning he was allowed to go home.
3. They would have won if they had played a bit harder.
4. She was heard to say that she disagreed.
5. Although they were defeated, they did not lose heart.
6. Our teacher taught us that virtue is its own reward.
7. The teacher asked the boys whether they had solved the problems.
8. He declared that he would not believe it even if he saw it with his own eyes.
9. The room was searched but the police failed to find anything suspicious.
10. The government has announced that taxes will be raised.