Insert appropriate verb forms in the blanks.

1. It was John who the police.

alert

alerts

alerted

2. We for ages.

are waiting

have been waiting

3. I her for a long time.

know

knew

have known

4. The box so heavy that I could not lift it.

was

has been

is

5. One of my friends to Zambia recently.

has gone

went

goes

6. He a novel since October, and now he is about to finish it.

was writing

has been writing

is writing

7. I will call you when the guests

will arrive

would arrive

arrive

8. Age and experience wisdom to man.

bring

brings

brought

9. The prize was away by our team.

borne born bore

10. They were questioned.

been

being

be

Answers

- 1. It was John who alerted the police.
- 2. We have been waiting for ages.
- 3. I have known her for a long time.

Verb forms exercise

- 4. The box was so heavy that I could not lift it.
- 5. One of my friends went to Zambia recently.
- 6. He has been writing a novel since October, and he is about to finish it.
- 7. I will call you when the guests arrive.
- 8. Age and experience brings wisdom to man.
- 9. The prize was borne away by our team.
- 10. They were being questioned.