

REPHRASING ON TENSES WITH ANSWERS

1. I finished my homework. Then I went to the cinema. After...
2. In my opinion, Pavarotti was a great opera singer. I....
3. He stopped speaking to anybody two months ago. He...
4. Who did that book belong to? (owned)
5. During the searching of the house by the police, he interviewed the suspect.
6. He worked 40 years for the same company. Then he retired. When he...
7. At one time I played football, but I don't play anymore.
8. The last time her boss paid her was 2 months ago. Her boss...
9. They started arguing 2 hours ago and they're still arguing.
10. When did you leave London?
11. The film started a moment ago. The film...
12. Will this be your first trip to Rome?
13. We all were born in 1988.
14. Today, I had my second meeting with my new boss. So far...
15. Do you have any experience in editing books? (ever)
16. David bought the car some time ago and he still has it.
17. We last saw a royal procession three years ago.
18. I haven't bought a new book for two years. It's...
19. The activity turned out to be very stressing. I found....
20. He gave up smoking in 1963.
21. I can't find her phone number now and I thought it was here. (lost)
22. The post arrived two minutes ago.
23. Andrea is visiting the dentist for the first time. This is...
24. When did you first get to know her? How long...
25. Alan went to London three weeks ago and he is still there.
26. I heard of the news and at once I phoned to tell you. As soon as....

27. Peter crashed the car again, for the second time this month. This is the second...
28. It's raining. It started raining as we left the house.
29. I first met Dan in 1997 and we are still good friends. Dan and I...
30. John disappeared several weeks ago. (missing)
31. We bought this house in 2007.
32. It was a minute since the play started but we weren't allowed to enter.
33. He started taking driving lesson two weeks ago.
34. When did Susan start learning Chinese?
35. All of them got bored with the lesson. All of them....
36. Whose bag is this?
37. Ron plans to leave for Rome next Wednesday. (is)
38. The weight of this box is 3 kilos. This box...
39. He isn't interested in literature. He doesn't...
40. During lunch we will discuss this.
41. How long has she looked after children?
42. Ann is 67 years old. (alive)
43. That was the first time Ashley had tasted raw fish.
44. First some soldiers broke through; then the whole army entered the town.
45. I went fishing with my father every Saturday when I was 13. (used to)
46. The wind has been blowing since yesterday.
47. I haven't read a newspaper since August.
48. I last visited my grandparents last weekend.

ANSWERS

- 1) When I had finished my homework, I went to the cinema / When having finished my homework, I went to the cinema (acordaros de las participle clauses cuando el sujeto en las dos acciones (que pasan a la vez o una detrás de otra) es el mismo)
- 2) I think that Pavarotti was a great opera singer.

- 3) He hasn't spoken to anybody for two months
- 4) Who owned that book?
- 5) While the police were searching the house, he interviewed the suspect.
- 6) When he retired, he had worked 40 years for the same company.
- 7) I haven't played football since that time
- 8) Her boss hasn't paid her for 2 months
- 9) They have been arguing for 2 hours
- 10) How long have you been away from London?
- 11) The film has just started.
- 12) Have you ever been to Rome (before)?
- 13) We have been alive since 1988
- 14) La expresión 'so far' significa 'hasta ahora' y casi siempre va con presente perfecto (acción que empezó en el pasado y afecta al presente)

So far, I have had two meetings with my new boss

- 15) Have you ever edited books?
- 16) David has already had the car.
- 17) We haven't seen a royal procession for 3 years
- 18) It's two years since we last bought a new book
- 19) I found the activity very stressing

*Esta es una estructura que debemos aprender: **sujeto+find+objeto+adjective/noun phrase+infinitive**(si lo hay)

The Tv programme was awful → I found the Tv programme awful

Physics is very difficult to learn → I find Physics very difficult to learn

- 20) He hasn't smoked since 1963
- 21) I have lost her phone number
- 22) The post has just arrived
- 23) This is the first time Andrea has visited the dentist.
- 24) How long have you known her?

25) Alan has been in London for 3 weeks (No os confundáis con 'have been to'. Esta forma solo se utiliza cuando se pregunta si se ha estado en algún sitio, es decir, ahora ya no estás allí.... En esta frase, Alan está todavía en Londres, así que la preposición es 'in')

26) As soon as I had heard the news, I phoned to tell you.

27) This is the second time Peter has crashed the car.

28) It has been raining since we left the house.

29) Dan and I have been good friends since 1997

30) John has been missing for several weeks.

31) We have had this house since 2007 / We have lived in this house since 2007

32) We weren't allowed to enter because the play had already started

33) He has taken driving lessons for two weeks

34) How long has Susan been learning Chinese?

35) All of them found the lesson boring.

36) Who owns this bag? / who does this bag belong to?

37) Ron is going to leave for Rome next Wednesday (be going to porque la frase original nos dice 'plans', por lo que todavía no es un plan seguro)

38) this box weights 3 kilos

39) He doesn't find Literature interesting

40) While we are having lunch, we will discuss this.

41) When did she started looking after children?

42) Ann has been alive for 67 years

43) Ashley tasted raw fish for the first time

44) When some soldiers had broken through (entrar a la fuerza), the whole army entered the town

45) When I was 13, I used to go fishing with my father

46) The wind started blowing yesterday and it is still blowing.

47) I read the last newspaper in August.

48) It's one weekend since I last visited my grandparents.