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Exercise 38

Present Tense – Cumulative Review

Fill in the spaces with the correct form of the verb in *any* aspect of the present tense.

Ring! Ring!

Beto: Hello.

Justin: May I please speak to Beto?

Beto: Yes, this is he.

Justin: Beto! How (be) _____⁽¹⁾ you? This is Justin.

Beto: Ahhh...Justin! I (be) _____⁽²⁾ fine. How are you?

Justin: I'm great, thanks.

Beto: That (be) _____⁽³⁾ good. So, what's up?

Justin: Well, I (have) _____⁽⁴⁾ a question for you.

Beto: Sure.

Justin: My motorcycle (be) _____⁽⁵⁾ broken. I (try) _____⁽⁶⁾ to repair it for days. I (no, know) _____⁽⁷⁾ what is wrong with it. I (no, can, fix) _____⁽⁸⁾ it.

Justin: Have you tried to start it?

Beto: Yes, I (try) _____⁽⁹⁾ to start it many times, but it just won't work.

The motorcycle is pretty new. I just got it last November.

Beto: Hmm. Well, what (happen) _____⁽¹⁰⁾ when you try to start it? What kind of noise does it make?

Justin: It (make) _____⁽¹¹⁾ a strange sound. Then the engine (die) _____⁽¹²⁾.

Beto: Okay. (You, stand) _____⁽¹³⁾ beside it right now?

Justin: Yes.

Beto: Okay. There are some things that you need to check. First, you need to inspect the spark plugs.

Justin: Hold on. Okay, I (inspect) _____⁽¹⁴⁾ them under a light now. They look clean.



Beto: Okay, that's good. Now, you need to check the oil. It's possible that you don't have enough.

Justin: Hold on. Okay, I (check) _____ (15) the oil right now. It (look) _____ (16) clean, and the tank is full. I just filled it up last week, so I didn't think that would be the problem.

Beto: Okay, that's good. Now you need to test the battery. (You, have) _____ (17) a battery tester?

Justin: Yes, I do. My brother got me one for my birthday. Let's see...okay, I (use) _____ (18) it right now. The battery (appear) _____ (19) to be full of life.

Beto: Hmm. That is strange. I (wonder) _____ (20) what the problem could be!

Justin: Yes...very strange. I (not, understand) _____ (21) it. My brother thinks the motorcycle is trash. He (not, think) _____ (22) it will ever start again. He (say) _____ (23) I need to take it to the junkyard.

Beto: That's too bad. Well, there (be) _____ (24) one more thing you can check.

Justin: Really?

Beto: Yes, but I am sure you (check) _____ (25) it already. It's probably the first thing you thought of.

Justin: Well, what is it?

Beto: The gas level.

Justin: Wait! I (not, check) _____ (26) that yet! Hold on! I (check) _____ (27) the gas level now.

Beto: Well, what (do) _____ (28) it look like?

Justin: It (look) _____ (29) empty! Wow, that (be) _____ (30) the problem. How embarrassing. I am sorry that I bothered you about this!

Beto: That's okay. The same thing (happen) _____ (31) to me before. You had better go get some gas! Talk you to you later!

Justin: Okay, thanks!