

## Choosing the Correct Tense

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**Complete each sentence using the right verb tense from the parentheses.**

1) Yesterday, we had a picnic in the park, and we \_\_\_\_\_ peanut butter and jelly sandwiches. (eat, ate, will eat)

2) Wonton is a well-known Chinese food that was first made in Hunan, China, not Hun Dun when they first made it. (is, was, will be)

3) Bees love flowers, but they will only visit them if they have nectar. (have, had, will have)

4) As a basketball player, he is \_\_\_\_\_ considered to be the best player of his date \_\_\_\_\_.

5) The movie was fantastic, but it \_\_\_\_\_ (is, was, will be) \_\_\_\_\_ the \_\_\_\_\_.

6) It takes people more than a year to build a bridge, but it \_\_\_\_\_ the \_\_\_\_\_.

7) If it snows tonight, we \_\_\_\_\_ (will, will build)

8) I usually read before going to bed, but last night I \_\_\_\_\_ to watch TV. (chose, choose, will choose)

9) Today was the best day ever! I \_\_\_\_\_ a lottery ticket. (win, won, will win)

10) I will not buy these shoes, because they \_\_\_\_\_ too tight. (are, were, will be)

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3) Bees love flowers, but they will have a lot of honey. (love, have, will have)

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5) The movie was fantastic. (is, was, will be)

6) It takes people more than a year to mastered the instrument in just a few months. (is, was, will be)

7) If it snows tonight, we will build a snowman. (will, will build)

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