

Compound Verbs

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- 1.They might have been considering different options before making a final decision.
- 2.He had been _____ about the time of the meeting, so he was late.
- 3.We will have been _____ at that joke for hours if it keeps going like this.
- 4.The ceremony must have been _____ due to unforeseen circumstances.
- 5.I have just _____ the most unexpected gift ever.
- 6.By the end of the day, I will have _____ three essays since I'm a professional procrastinator.
- 7.By now, the engineers should have been _____ the new AI model.
- 8.I could have been _____ like nobody's watching.
- 9.To everyone's surprise, she had _____ at the animal shelter for thirty years.
- 10.They were _____ Squid Game for hours until their moms called them in.
- 11.Thompson has never _____ such a beautiful sunset before.
- 12.They had _____ the secret chamber just before the trap was triggered.
- 13.Wizards are _____ spells to protect the ancient scrolls from dark forces.
- 14.Dragons were _____ above the enchanted forest during the eclipse.
- 15.The time traveler is _____ through centuries to prevent a catastrophic event.
- 16.The pizza was _____ before I could grab a slice!

Answer sheet

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Answers may vary.

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- 3.We will have been laughing at that joke for hours if it keeps going like this.
- 4.The ceremony must have been delayed due to unforeseen circumstances.
- 5.I have just received the most unexpected gift ever.
- 6.By the end of the day, I will have written three essays since I'm a professional procrastinator.
- 7.By now, the engineers should have been testing the new AI model.
- 8.I could have been dancing like nobody's watching.
- 9.To everyone's surprise, she had volunteered at the animal shelter for thirty years.
- 10.They were playing Squid Game for hours until their moms called them in.
- 11.Thompson has never seen such a beautiful sunset before.
- 12.They had unlocked the secret chamber just before the trap was triggered.
- 13.Wizards are casting spells to protect the ancient scrolls from dark forces.
- 14.Dragons were soaring above the enchanted forest during the eclipse.
- 15.The time traveler is navigating through centuries to prevent a catastrophic event.
- 16.The pizza was devoured before I could grab a slice!