

## TOEIC IV – Verb Tenses (3b)

*These are some of the most commonly used verb forms that appear on the test:*

1.    **to sell**                      **had been sold**                      **having sold**                      **selling**

After \_\_\_\_\_ thousands of newspapers detailing the scandal regarding AmTech's CEO, *The Times* is now reporting that stockholders of AmTech had begun secretly \_\_\_\_\_ their stock before the scandal was made public. Of course, they all made a fortune. When most of the stock \_\_\_\_\_, the price was so low that for 5 cents, it was impossible \_\_\_\_\_ even one share.

2.    **to search**    **having searched**    **searches**    **has been searching**

Kim \_\_\_\_\_ for a job for eleven long months. At first, \_\_\_\_\_ for jobs she had lots of experience in, and not able to find one, she had \_\_\_\_\_ for any job she could get. Now, sometimes she even \_\_\_\_\_ for jobs in different states.

3.    **to find**                      **is still finding**                      **finds**                      **has found**

*Dogs-R-Us* \_\_\_\_\_ homes for lost and unwanted dogs. In 10 years it \_\_\_\_\_ homes for thousands of dogs, and amazingly, \_\_\_\_\_ homes for these pets every day. So, if you are looking \_\_\_\_\_ yourself a new friend, don't hesitate to call *Dogs-R-Us*!

4.    **have always worn**                      **has worn**                      **wearing**                      **wore**

Jenny said she isn't \_\_\_\_\_ a costume this Halloween! I'm so sad because we \_\_\_\_\_ matching costumes. She happily \_\_\_\_\_ a costume matching mine for the last 5 years! Last year we \_\_\_\_\_ matching Pokemon costumes. It was so funny.

5.    **would tell**                      **keep telling**                      **tells**                      **has told**

Can you believe it?! Our president \_\_\_\_\_ another lie about our country's situation! It seems he just \_\_\_\_\_ lie after lie! I wish he \_\_\_\_\_ the truth for a change! If he continues to \_\_\_\_\_ lies, no one will vote for him in the next election!