Tenses – Question Bank

Q1. Choose the correct verb from those in brackets:
a. The earth round the sun. (move, moves, moved)
b. My friends the film yesterday. (see, saw, have seen)
c. It started to rain while we tennis. (are playing, had played, were playing
d. I English for five years. (have been studying, study, am studying)
e. The train before we reach the station. (arrives, will have arrived, had arrived)
f. Don't disturb me. I my work. (do, did, am doing)
g. Fortune the brave. (is favouring, will favour, favours)
h. I the letter before you arrived. (had written, wrote, will write)
i. He us next week. (will have met, will have been meeting, will be meeting)
j. Perhaps we Delhi next month. (visit, will visit, visited)
Q2. Complete the dialogue.
Rashid: Rahul! Your friend Manas has sent you a postcard. It's from Kerala. It
(look) nice.
Rahul: I bet it does!
Rashid: He (write) that it's very hot there. There (be) a lot of tourists.
The hotels (be) full. He (say) the restaurants (be) always full!
Rahul: Yes, I'm sure it is. The papers (say) that the temperature there is

30C.
Rashid: Then he (write) that he has learnt a bit of Malayalam, and that he
(get on) well with the people there, especially the women!
Rashid: Look, didn't the newspaper (say) that there's another strike in
Kerala.
Rahul: Yes, it did Manas won't mind having to stay in Kerala longer!
Q3. Correct the following sentences:
i. I lived in Calcutta since 1930.
ii. She died before her husband came.
iii. I have written a letter to her last Monday.
iv. I am reading Kalidasa for the last six days.
v. The new hotel has been opened last Saturday.
vi. He had gone to Madras last week.
vii. The train leave the station before I reached there.
viii. I wish my men had been coming quickly and find us.
ix. At the moment the baby sleep in the cradle.
x. He goes out for ten minutes.
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