ANSWER KEY WITH EXPLANATIONS

400 Must Have Words for the TOEFL LESSON 8 – Energy Vocabulary Test

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Explanations

1. Complete each sentence by choosing the best word. Change the form of the word if necessary. Use each word only once.

It is often difficult to _____ the meaning of a poem to a large audience.
✓ **B) convey**
Convey means to communicate or pass on an idea, feeling or meaning to someone. The gap needs a verb after **to**, and you convey **the meaning** of something: **She conveyed her thanks to the team.**

2. The _____ of the gossip was someone inside this office.
✓ **D) source**
A **source** is the place or person something comes from. After **The** we need a noun, and the **source of the gossip** is the person who started it.

3. Her bad mood that day _____ the atmosphere in the laboratory.
✓ **C) permeate**
Permeate means to spread through every part of something. Here it needs the past form **permeated**, because the sentence is about **that day**. Her bad mood spread through the whole atmosphere.

4. The internal _____ engine revolutionized the way automobiles run.
✓ **A) combustion**
Combustion is the process of burning. **Internal combustion engine** is a fixed phrase for an engine that burns fuel inside it, like a car engine.

5. A cigarette _____ the explosion.
✓ **E) trigger**
Trigger means to cause something to start suddenly. The sentence is about the past, so the form is **triggered**: the cigarette started the explosion.

6. Find the word or phrase that is closest in meaning to each word.

rotate
✓ **B) spin on an axis**
To **rotate** means to **spin on an axis** (turn around a central point). Example: **The Earth rotates once every 24 hours.**

7. solar
✓ **C) sun**
Solar means related to the **sun**. Example: **Solar panels turn sunlight into electricity.**

8. component
✓ **E) part**
A **component** is a **part** of a larger machine or system. Example: **The factory makes components for computers.**

9. discretely
✓ **A) separately, as an individual part**
Discretely is the adverb of **discrete**. It means **separately, as an individual part**. Do not confuse it with **discreetly**, which means carefully and quietly, without attracting attention.

10. nucleus
✓ **D) center**
A **nucleus** is the **center** of something, for example the central part of an atom or a cell. The adjective **nuclear** comes from it.

11. What does the author say about solar power?
✓ **B) It is a relatively small source of energy for heating water in steam turbines.**
The passage says solar power produces **less than 1 percent** of the country's electricity, so it is a **relatively small source**. The text never says that producers want to use it more or that researchers are trying to make it cheaper. It only says that solar power is more expensive than fossil fuels.

12. In the passage, the word transformer probably refers to a _____.
✓ **D) device that changes electric currents**
The passage says the electricity **is converted by a transformer**. To convert means to change, so a transformer is a device that changes electric currents. It is not the generator, which produces the electricity in an earlier step.