ANSWER KEY WITH EXPLANATIONS

4000 Essential English Words 1 Unit 1: The Lion and the Rabbit

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Explanations

1. **Choose the right word for the given definition.**
bad or hurting others
✓ **C) cruel**
Cruel means bad to others or hurting them. Example: **It is cruel to hit an animal.**

2. at last or at the end
✓ **C) finally**
Finally means at last, at the end. Example: **After a long wait, the bus finally came.**

3. to try to fight or hurt
✓ **A) attack**
To **attack** means to try to fight or hurt someone. Example: **The dog attacked the cat.**

4. to not let others see
✓ **B) hide**
To **hide** means to go or put something where others cannot see it. Example: **The cat hid under the bed.**

5. the lowest part
✓ **A) bottom**
The **bottom** is the lowest part of something. Example: **The keys are at the bottom of my bag.**

6. **Choose the right definition for the given word.**
angry
✓ **C) mad**
Angry means **mad**, the feeling when something bad happens to you. Not **scared**, which means afraid.

7. moment
✓ **B) a short time**
A **moment** is a very short time. Example: **Wait a moment, please.**

8. promise
✓ **B) to say “I will”**
To **promise** is to say "I will" and mean it. Example: **I promise to call you tomorrow.**

9. reply
✓ **A) to answer**
To **reply** means to answer. Example: **She replied to my email.**

10. safe
✓ **D) not worried about being hurt**
Safe means not in danger, so you do not worry about being hurt. Example: **The children are safe at home.**

11. **Check the sentence with the bolded word that makes better sense.**

a. A **clever** person can solve a puzzle easily.

b. When a plane **arrives**, it leaves the ground and goes into the sky.
✓ **A)**
A **clever** person is smart, so a puzzle is easy for them. Sentence B is wrong: when a plane **arrives**, it comes to a place; it does not leave.

12. a. At noon, the sun is near the **bottom** of the sky.

b. If I break my brother’s bike, he will be **angry**.
✓ **B)**
People feel **angry** when someone breaks their things. Sentence A is wrong: at noon the sun is high in the sky, not at the **bottom**.

13. a. It is easy to **hide** in a dark place.

b. Many kinds of fish are **afraid** of water.
✓ **A)**
In a dark place, people cannot see you, so it is easy to **hide**. Sentence B is wrong: fish live in water, so they are not **afraid** of it.

14. a. At night, your parents may say, “**Hide** your eyes and go to sleep.”

b. Heavy things will go down to the **bottom** of the ocean.
✓ **B)**
Heavy things go down to the lowest part, the **bottom**, of the ocean. Sentence A is wrong: parents say "Close your eyes", not "Hide your eyes".

15. a. It is **cruel** to keep a dog in a small cage all day.

b. Your mother will be **angry** when you get good grades in school.
✓ **A)**
Keeping a dog in a small cage all day hurts it, so it is **cruel**. Sentence B is wrong: good grades make a mother happy, not **angry**.

16. a. Animals cannot **hunt** because they do not have hands.

b. It is a good idea to **arrive** early for class.
✓ **B)**
To **arrive** means to get to a place, and getting to class early is good. Sentence A is wrong: many animals **hunt** without hands.

17. a. People sometimes **attack** pictures to email messages.

b. Some people are **afraid** of spiders.
✔ **B)**
Many people are **afraid** of spiders; they feel scared of them. Sentence A is wrong: we **attach** pictures to emails, not **attack** them.

18. a. A **moment** is like a second or two.

b. New shoes are usually not very comfortable or **clever**.
✔ **A)**
A **moment** is a very short time, like a second or two. Sentence B is wrong: shoes cannot be **clever**; only people and animals can be smart.

19. a. Small animals do not usually **attack** big animals.

b. There are twelve **moments** in a year.
✔ **A)**
Small animals are weak, so they do not usually **attack** big animals. Sentence B is wrong: a year has twelve months, not twelve **moments**.

20. a. A **cruel** person will try to help others at all times.

b. You can use a gun to **hunt** in the forest.
✔ **B)**
People can **hunt**, look for animals to kill them, with a gun. Sentence A is wrong: a **cruel** person hurts others and does not help them.

21. **What is this story about?**
✔ **A) How a clever rabbit tricked a cruel lion.**
The whole story shows how the **clever** rabbit **tricked** the **cruel** lion into jumping into the well. The last paragraph says the animals were pleased with the rabbit's **clever trick**.

22. **What did all the animals say to the lion?**
✔ **C) They said that they would allow him to eat one of them a day.**
Paragraph 2 says the animals asked the lion to eat **only one animal each day**, and one of them would come to him every day.

23. **Why did the rabbit take the lion to the well in the middle of the forest?**
✔ **B) So the lion could attack the “other” lion.**
The rabbit said another lion lived at the bottom of the well. The lion went there to **attack** that "other" lion, but it was really his own face in the water.

24. **Which of the following is true at the end of the story?**
✔ **C) The lion finally dies.**
The lion jumped into the deep well and **never came out**, so he dies at the end. Not the first option: there was no other lion, only the lion's own face in the water.

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