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4000 Essential English Words 4 Unit 14: The Brothers and the Bread

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1. Choose the right definition for the given word.
ruin
A) to damage **B)** to hate
C) to fly **D)** to cook

2. brick
A) a fast car **B)** a hard piece of clay
C) a best friend **D)** a favorite kind of toy

3. sprinkle
A) to scatter **B)** to create
C) to mend **D)** to agree

4. injure
A) to run **B)** to fall **C)** to hurt **D)** to roast

5. slight
A) growing **B)** minor
C) quick **D)** risky

6. Choose the answer that best fits the question.
How would a man show others an emotion?
A) By flushing it **B)** By injuring it
C) By ruining it **D)** By expressing it

7. Which of the following says that two former enemies become friends again?
A) To reconcile **B)** To shatter
C) To utter **D)** To sparkle

8. How would you describe a girl who can stretch her leg behind her head?
A) A little bit stale **B)** Very flexible
C) More than slight **D)** Ready to crumble

9. Which of these would you use to make bread?
A) A brick **B)** Some dough
C) A fist **D)** A lump

10. Which word describes something usually found on windows?
A) Mixture **B)** Crumble
C) Slight **D)** Shutters

11. Choose the word that is the better fit for each blank.
Before the project, the clay was one big _____. But when he was finished, he made a perfectly square _____.
A) brick / lump **B)** lump / brick

12. Five minutes ago, the two senators were _____ insults at each other, but now they have _____ because they both agree with the new law.
A) reconciled / uttering **B)** uttering / reconciled

13. In the middle of the night, she got out of bed and opened the _____. She gazed at the sky where the stars _____ like tiny fires.
A) shutters / sparkled **B)** sparkled / shutters

14. The rice was not eaten soon enough, so it tasted _____. It made me feel sick and my face became _____.
A) flushed / stale **B)** stale / flushed

15. The cook picked up the block of cheese and _____ it into little pieces. Then he mixed them with the _____ before placing it in the oven.
A) crumbled / dough **B)** dough / crumbled

16. When he started to _____ the flour into the bowl, he slipped and dropped it. The bowl hit the ground and _____.
A) sift / shattered **B)** shattered / sift

17. He hit the punching bag with his _____. Since the bag was _____, it did not break.
A) fist / flexible **B)** flexible / fist

18. The _____ of ice cream and chocolate tastes good, but it will be even better if you _____ sugar on the top of it.
A) sprinkle / mixture **B)** mixture / sprinkle

19. The doctor _____ a lot of concern for my hurt ankle, but I told him the pain was only _____.
A) slight / expressed **B)** expressed / slight

20. The ship was _____ when it crashed into the island. Even though it was greatly damaged, none of the passengers were _____.
A) ruined / injured **B)** injured / ruined

(Please note: The following questions are related to a specific reading passage, available solely before the first question. Remember, referring back to the reading text while answering the questions may be helpful to ensure accuracy.)

THE BROTHERS AND THE BREAD

Two brothers wanted to go outside and play. However, because the only bread in the house was **stale**, their mother told them they needed to bake fresh bread.

“I have to have the car repaired,” she said. “When I return, if the bread is ready, you can play.”

The brothers hurried to prepare the bread, but not carefully. They didn’t **sift** the flour. They were careless and **sprinkled** too much salt into the **mixture**.
The **dough** needed to be soft and **flexible**, but the salt made it into a **lump** that was as hard as a **brick**.

The younger brother **uttered** a sigh. “Now we have to start again,” he said.

“No, we don’t,” the older brother replied. “I’ll fix it. I just need to make the dough flat again and add water to it.”

He decided to hit the ball of dough with his **fist** to make it flat. But he hit it so hard that it flew right off of the table and knocked over a glass, which **shattered**. The dough then crashed into the kitchen window’s **shutters** and **crumbled**. Luckily, the brothers were not **injured**, but they did make a huge mess.

A **slight** mistake now became a major problem. The brothers had **ruined** the kitchen. Just then their mother returned. She saw the mess and became **flushed** with anger.

“Now you can’t play,” she said. “Instead, you have to clean the kitchen. I want this kitchen to be so clean that it may **sparkle**!”

The brothers cleaned the floor and **expressed** their sorrow to their mother. Soon, they were **reconciled**. But there was no bread, and it was too late to play. They realized that trying to do something quickly often makes more work.

21. Because the bread was stale, the mother wanted them to bake fresh bread.
A) TRUE **B)** FALSE

22. The dough became a lump that was as hard as a brick.
A) TRUE **B)** FALSE

23. The bread needed to be hard and sturdy.
A) TRUE **B)** FALSE

24. The older brother uttered a sigh.
A) TRUE **B)** FALSE

25. The brothers had to clean the kitchen, so it may sparkle.
A) TRUE **B)** FALSE

26. A major mistake only caused a slight problem.
A) TRUE **B)** FALSE

27. What made the dough into a hard lump?
A) Not putting in enough water
B) Using too much salt
C) Expressing sadness
D) Not sifting the flour

28. What happened when the older brother hit the dough with his fist?
A) The dough became flat again.
B) A glass shattered.
C) The brothers were injured.
D) The window broke.

29. Why was the mother flushed with anger?
A) The dough was hard.
B) The kitchen was ruined.
C) The brothers sighed.
D) The repair shop was closed.

30. When were the brothers reconciled with their mother?
A) As she made fresh bread
B) When she returned from the store
C) Before she left the house
D) After they cleaned the kitchen

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