ANSWER KEY WITH EXPLANATIONS

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Explanations

1. **Choose the answer that best fits the question.**
What is marble often used for?
✓ **C) To make statues**
Marble is a hard, smooth stone that can be polished. Artists often carve it into **statues**, and it is also used in buildings. It is far too heavy for cars or boats, and it does not burn.

2. Accessories like earrings, purses, and _____ often make clothes look nicer.
✓ **B) shoes**
Accessories are extra items you wear or carry with your clothes, such as earrings, purses and **shoes**. Eye color and muscles are part of your body, not things you add to an outfit.

3. What does it mean to update something?
✓ **C) To make more modern**
To **update** something means to make it more modern or add the newest information, e.g. **We updated the computer system.** Not 'to leave as it is', which means the opposite.

4. What is something that should not be imported?
✓ **D) Diseases**
To **import** means to bring something into a country from another country. Fruits, shoes and even ideas can be useful imports, but nobody wants **diseases** brought into their country.

5. Naval forces are designed to _____ a country from danger.
✓ **A) protect**
Naval means relating to a country's navy, its ships and sailors. Naval forces exist to **protect** a country from danger at sea. Ships sail rather than fly, so 'fly' does not fit.

6. **Choose the one that is similar in meaning to the given word.**
adequate
✓ **B) enough**
Adequate means good enough or **enough** for a purpose, e.g. **The food was adequate for ten people.**

7. facilitate
✓ **A) to make easier**
To **facilitate** something means **to make it easier** to happen, e.g. **The new road will facilitate travel between the towns.**

8. elaborate
✓ **C) detailed**
Elaborate means having many parts or **details**, e.g. **an elaborate painting**. An elaborate thing may also be beautiful, but the core meaning is 'detailed'.

9. dilemma
✓ **C) problem**
A **dilemma** is a difficult **problem**, especially one where you must choose between two options. Not 'contradiction', which means two statements that cannot both be true.

10. inflate
✓ **A) to fill with air**
To **inflate** something means **to fill it with air** or gas so that it gets bigger, e.g. **inflate a balloon** or **an inflatable boat**.

11. innate
✓ **B) natural**
Innate means **natural**: you have the quality from birth and did not learn it, e.g. **an innate desire to help people.**

12. saturated
✓ **A) wet**
Saturated means completely **wet**, so full of liquid that it cannot hold any more, e.g. **Their clothes were saturated with seawater.**

13. pouch
✓ **C) a bag**
A **pouch** is a small **bag**, often made of soft material, e.g. **a leather pouch for coins**. A kangaroo's pouch is also a pocket for carrying its baby.

14. nausea
✓ **D) sickness**
Nausea is the **sick** feeling in your stomach when you think you are going to vomit, e.g. **The rough sea gave him nausea.**

15. fleet
✓ **C) group**
A **fleet** is a **group** of ships, planes or vehicles owned by one person, company or country, e.g. **a fleet of fishing boats**.

16. **Choose C if the italicized word is used correctly. Choose I if the word is used incorrectly.**
The *cardboard* box was made from a tough metal.
✓ **B) I**
Cardboard is thick, stiff paper used to make boxes. A box made from metal is not a cardboard box, so the word is used incorrectly.

17. The man had an *acquisition* for being mean to the people that he met.
✔ **B) I**
An **acquisition** is something you have bought or got, e.g. **The museum's latest acquisition is a painting.** The sentence needs **reputation** (what people think of you), so the word is used incorrectly.

18. The man helped the old woman *infer* the large object on the shelf.
✔ **B) I**
To **infer** means to decide something is true from the facts you have, e.g. **I inferred that he was tired.** The sentence needs a word like **reach** or **get**, so the word is used incorrectly.

19. We used the *grid* on the map to help us locate the museum.
✔ **A) C**
A **grid** is a pattern of lines that cross each other to form squares. Maps often have grids to help you find places, so the word is used correctly.

20. The painting was *elaborate*. The artist paid attention to every detail.
✔ **A) C**
Elaborate means detailed and carefully made. The second sentence says the artist paid attention to every detail, so the word is used correctly.

21. **Ernest usually used his fleet for his firm that imported marble statues from other countries.**
✔ **A) TRUE**
Paragraph 1 says: **Usually, he used them for his firm, which imported marble statues from other countries.** Here, **them** means his fleet of ships, so the statement is true.

22. **His favorite ship had updated accessories like a new grid.**
✔ **A) TRUE**
Paragraph 1 says the ship had **new updates** and that its latest acquisition was **a device with a small grid**. The passage also calls this device a **new accessory**, so the statement is true.

23. **When Ernest saw the old man standing next to the mast, he decided to go home.**
✔ **B) FALSE**
Paragraph 2 says Ernest **began sailing toward them** to help. He went home only at the end, after the old man and the boy told him to leave, so the statement is false.

24. **Ernest offered the man and the boy a boat that inflates to facilitate their rescue.**
✔ **A) TRUE**
Ernest threw them a package and said, **You can inflate this boat to get you back to land.** Paragraph 2 says he was eager to **facilitate their rescue**, so the statement is true.

25. **Ernest had the innate desire to make a lot of money.**
✔ **B) FALSE**
Paragraph 2 says Ernest had an **innate desire to help people**. Making money is not mentioned, so the statement is false.

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