ANSWER KEY WITH EXPLANATIONS

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Explanations

1. **Choose the answer that best fits the question.**
Someone with integrity _____.
✔ **D) is honest**
Integrity means being honest and having strong moral principles. **A person with integrity always tells the truth.** Lying and tricking people are the opposite of integrity.

2. What does a person with a good understanding of a budget take care of?
✔ **C) Their money**
A **budget** is a plan for how much money you will spend. Someone who understands a budget takes care of **their money**.

3. Which of the following might an archeological expert be interested in?
✔ **A) Reading about ancient devices**
Archeological means related to the study of ancient people and the things they left behind. An archeological expert would be interested in **ancient devices**.

4. What does it mean to be a parachute addict?
✔ **B) To want to jump from a plane with a parachute**
An **addict** is someone who cannot stop doing something or wants it very much. A parachute addict always wants **to jump from a plane with a parachute**.

5. In order to refine an invention, one has to _____.
✔ **B) make it better**
To **refine** something means to improve it by making small changes. **He refined his invention until it worked perfectly.**

6. **Choose the one that is similar in meaning to the given word.**
prehistoric
✔ **B) old**
Prehistoric describes the time before history was written down, so it means very **old**. **Dinosaurs are prehistoric animals.**

7. outlook
✔ **D) viewpoint**
An **outlook** is the way a person thinks about things, their general attitude or **viewpoint**. Not **outside**: the word has nothing to do with being outdoors.

8. proponent
✔ **A) supporter**
A **proponent** is a person who argues for an idea or plan, so it means a **supporter**. **She is a proponent of free education.**

9. estate
✔ **B) property**
An **estate** is a large piece of land with a house on it, so it is a kind of **property**. **The family owns a large estate in the countryside.**

10. brainstorm
✔ **A) to come up with**
To **brainstorm** means to think of many ideas, often in a group, in order to **come up with** a solution. **The team brainstormed ideas for the project.**

11. **Choose C if the italicized word is used correctly. Choose I if the word is used incorrectly.**
The farmer lived on a large *estate*. It was given to him by his father.
✔ **A) C**
An **estate** is a large area of land with a house, which a farmer can live on and receive from his father. The word is used correctly.

12. The principal was a *proponent* of group learning. He wanted students to learn on their own.
✔ **B) I**
A **proponent** supports an idea. If the principal wanted students to learn **on their own**, he did not support group learning, so the word is used incorrectly.

13. He wanted to *refine* the machine before he sold it. He spent three years improving it.
✔ **A) C**
To **refine** means to improve something. The clue **spent three years improving it** matches this meaning, so the word is used correctly.

14. The seat belt *restricted* the child's movement in the car. He was able to move a lot.
✔ **B) I**
To **restrict** means to limit something. If the child **was able to move a lot**, his movement was not limited, so the word is used incorrectly.

15. After an accident in the laboratory, *hydrogen* filled the air. The gas was completely invisible.
✔ **A) C**
Hydrogen is a light gas that has no colour and cannot be seen. Describing it as **completely invisible** is correct.

16. The boy had a different *outlook* than his brother. He thought that people should try to save the environment, but his brother thought it wasn't worth trying.
✔ **A) C**
An **outlook** is a person's way of seeing things. The two brothers had different opinions about the environment, so the word is used correctly.

17. The scientists found many *archeological* items in the desert. They would help the scientists study modern societies.
✔ **B) I**
Archeological items come from the distant past and help us study ancient societies, not modern ones. So the word is used incorrectly here.

18. Brian *brainstormed* with his group. After an hour, they came up with a great idea.
✔ **A) C**
To **brainstorm** means to think of ideas together. The group **came up with a great idea**, so the word is used correctly.

19. The people in the plane crash were saved by *parachutes*. They dropped safely to the ground using the device.
✔ **A) C**
A **parachute** is a large piece of cloth that lets a person fall slowly and safely from the air. The people **dropped safely to the ground**, so the word is used correctly.

20. Ellen wanted to learn how to *knit*. She wanted to save people from fires.
✔ **B) I**
To **knit** means to make clothes or cloth from wool using long needles. It has nothing to do with saving people from fires, so the word is used incorrectly.

21. The man was found guilty of *fraud*. He told people he was selling medicine, but it was only river water.
✔ **A) C**
Fraud is the crime of tricking people to get money. Selling river water as medicine is fraud, so the word is used correctly.

22. The woman showed her *integrity* by lying to the police about her involvement in the crime.
✔ **B) I**
Integrity means being honest. **Lying to the police** shows the opposite, so the word is used incorrectly.

23. The chocolate *addict* ate chocolate bars about once a month.
✔ **B) I**
An **addict** cannot stop doing something and does it very often. Eating chocolate **once a month** is not often, so the word is used incorrectly.

24. The *archeology* expert was called to study some ancient bones. They are thought to belong to early humans.
✔ **A) C**
Archeology is the study of ancient people and the things they left behind, such as tools, buildings and bones. An archeology expert would study the bones of **early humans**, so the word is used correctly.

25. The children ran into the *courtyard* when it started raining. They didn't want to get wet.
✔ **B) I**
A **courtyard** is an open area outside, surrounded by walls or buildings. Running into it would not keep the children dry in the rain, so the word is used incorrectly.

26. **Archeological evidence shows there were prehistoric parachutes in China.**
✔ **B) FALSE**
Paragraph 1 says there **may be** some evidence of prehistoric parachutes, but there is **no archeological evidence** that an actual parachute was ever made. China is mentioned only for the first written history, an ancient book. So the statement is false.

27. **Archeology experts cite an old Chinese book that describes a parachute that corresponds with modern parachutes.**
✔ **B) FALSE**
Paragraph 1 says scientists cite an ancient Chinese book that describes parachutes, but it is **Leonardo da Vinci's drawing** that **corresponds closely** with the modern design. The statement mixes up the two, so it is false.

28. **Sebastian brainstormed with scientists to invent a device that would allow people to jump from buildings safely.**
✔ **A) TRUE**
Paragraph 2 says Sebastian **brainstormed with other scientists** to find a way to help people **jump safely out of burning buildings**. The statement is true.

29. **On Sebastian's first jump, he used a large blanket to restrict his speed as he traveled to the ground.**
✔ **B) FALSE**
Paragraph 2 says he first tested his theory **using two umbrellas** and jumped out of a tree. He made a large parachute only later, so the statement is false.

30. **Jean-Pierre was a hot air balloon addict.**
✔ **A) TRUE**
Paragraph 4 says Jean-Pierre Blanchard **was a hot air balloon addict**. The statement is true.