ENGLISH VOCABULARY TESTS

A While or Awhile Quiz: 20 Questions with Answers

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Name: _____ Date: _____ Score: _____ / 20

1. In careful writing: I haven't been to the cinema for ___.
A) awhile **B)** while **C)** a while **D)** awhiles

2. Take off your coat and stay ___.
A) awhiles **B)** a whiles
C) whilst **D)** awhile

3. In careful writing: we moved to this town ___ ago.
A) while **B)** awhile
C) a while **D)** a whiles

4. It's been ___ since we last spoke.
A) a while **B)** a-while
C) awhiles **D)** a whiles

5. ___ I was cooking, the phone rang.
A) Awhile **B)** While
C) A while **D)** For a while

6. Sit down and rest ___ before dinner.
A) awhile **B)** for while
C) in while **D)** a whiles

7. In careful writing: my aunt comes to see us once in ___.
A) awhile **B)** a while
C) while **D)** the while

8. In careful writing: the film was good, but it took ___ to get going.
A) awhile **B)** a while
C) for a while **D)** whiles

9. Is the evening course really worth your ___?
A) awhile **B)** a while **C)** whiles **D)** while

10. I'll be with you in a little ___.
A) awhile **B)** while **C)** a while **D)** whilst

11. It was a very ___ trip, and we learnt a lot.
A) awhile **B)** a while
C) worthwhile **D)** worth a while

12. Let's walk ___ and enjoy the evening air.
A) awhiles **B)** a whiles
C) for while **D)** awhile

13. In careful writing: after ___, the baby stopped crying.
A) a while **B)** awhile **C)** while **D)** whiles

14. That happened quite ___ back.
A) a while **B)** a-while
C) while **D)** a whiles

15. The guests lingered ___ in the garden, then left.
A) in a while **B)** a whiles
C) awhile **D)** whiles

16. We ___ away the rainy afternoon playing board games.
A) whiled **B)** awhiled
C) a whiled **D)** worthwhiled

17. In careful writing: we heard a knock and, ___ later, the door opened.
A) awhile **B)** a while **C)** whiles **D)** while

18. She smiled politely, but all the ___ she was planning her escape.
A) awhile **B)** while **C)** a while **D)** whiles

19. We waited a long ___ for the last bus home.
A) awhile **B)** a while **C)** whiles **D)** while

20. My brother loves football, ___ I prefer tennis.
A) awhile **B)** a while
C) worthwhile **D)** while

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