ANSWER KEY WITH EXPLANATIONS

Adjective Suffixes -able, -ive, -al, -ous With Examples Quiz

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Explanations

1. This sofa is very ___. I could sleep on it.
✔ **A) comfortable**
Comfort + -able = comfortable. Say it in three syllables: COMF-ta-ble.

2. Thanks for a lovely dinner. It was a really ___ evening.
✔ **B) enjoyable**
Enjoy + -able = enjoyable: you have a good time. After a vowel, the y stays.

3. This old ring was my grandmother's. It's worth a lot of money. It's very ___.
✔ **C) valuable**
Value + -able = valuable. Drop the final e.

4. My cousin paints pictures and makes her own bags. She's very ___.
✔ **D) creative**
Create + -ive = creative. Drop the final e.

5. My grandmother is 80, but she's still very ___: she swims every day.
✔ **A) active**
Act + -ive = active: you move a lot and do a lot.

6. A face, a town or a design that people want to look at again is ___.
✔ **B) attractive**
Attract + -ive = attractive.

7. Spain beat Italy, and now the ___ team is in the final.
✔ **C) national**
Nation + -al = national: for the whole country.

8. This juice has no sugar or colours added. It's 100% ___.
✔ **B) natural**
Nature + -al = natural: it comes from nature. Drop the final e.

9. My sister plays three instruments. She's very ___.
✔ **D) musical**
Music + -al = musical: good at music. Musician is a noun.

10. At New Year we always eat a ___ dish from my grandmother's village.
✔ **C) traditional**
Tradition + -al = traditional: your family has done it like this for years and years.

11. Don't swim here. The sea is ___.
✔ **C) dangerous**
Danger + -ous = dangerous: it can hurt you.

12. Everybody knows her name. She's ___ all over the world.
✔ **A) famous**
Fame + -ous = famous. Drop the final e.

13. My brother loves new and exciting things. He's very ___.
✔ **D) adventurous**
Adventure + -ous = adventurous. Drop the final e: no e before -ous.

14. No cars, no noise, just birds. The village is very ___.
✔ **B) peaceful**
Peace + -ful = peaceful: quiet and calm. Keep the e, and write -ful with one l.

15. Which word is NOT an adjective?
✔ **A) nation**
Nation is a noun. Its adjective is national.

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