ANSWER KEY WITH EXPLANATIONS

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Explanations

1. To appear uninvited is the same as to _____ up.
✔ **C) turn**
Turn up means to arrive or appear, often when nobody expected or invited you: **He turned up at my party without an invitation.**

2. I am so tired today because I _____ up early.
✔ **C) got**
Get up means to get out of bed. The past form is **got up**: **I got up early, so I'm tired.**

3. I missed a lot of classes so I have to work hard to _____ up.
✔ **B) catch**
Catch up means to reach the same level as others after you have fallen behind. The clue is **missed a lot of classes**.

4. I don't know the telephone number so I'll have to _____ it up.
✔ **B) look**
Look something up means to find information in a book, list or online: **I'll look up the number.**

5. If you don't _____ up, we will be late.
✔ **A) hurry**
Hurry up means to move or act faster. The clue is **we will be late**.

6. Her husband died so she had to _____ up the children alone.
✔ **B) bring**
Bring up children means to look after them until they are adults: **She brought up three children alone.**

7. The traffic was _____ up because of road work.
✔ **A) held**
Hold up means to delay something. In the passive: **The traffic was held up** = the traffic was slowed or stopped.

8. The police _____ up the political demonstration.
✔ **C) broke**
Break up a meeting or crowd means to make the people leave and go in different directions: **The police broke up the fight.**

9. You should always _____ up any words you don't know in a dictionary.
✔ **B) look**
Look up a word means to find its meaning in a dictionary. The clue is **in a dictionary**.

10. I can't believe he _____ up the bill and paid for our dinner.
✔ **C) picked**
Pick up the bill is an informal way of saying **pay for everyone**: **He picked up the bill for our dinner.**

11. The boy _____ up his seat to the old lady.
✔ **B) gave**
Give up your seat means to let another person sit in it: **The boy gave up his seat to the old lady.**

12. To get into a building or car using force is to _____.
✔ **C) break in**
Break in means to enter a building or car by force, usually to steal something. Not **break out**, which means to escape from a place such as a prison.

13. A robbery in which criminals use force to steal money from a bank is a _____.
✔ **C) hold-up**
A **hold-up** is a robbery where criminals use guns or force: **There was a hold-up at the bank.** The verb is **hold up**: **They held up a bank.**

14. To steal or take something without asking is to _____.
✔ **A) run off with**
Run off with something means to take it without permission and go away with it: **He ran off with my bike.**

15. To hurt someone badly by hitting or kicking is to _____.
✔ **B) beat them up**
Beat someone up means to hurt them badly by hitting or kicking them many times.

16. To kill someone in informal English is to _____ with them.
✔ **A) do away**
Do away with someone is an informal way to say **kill** them. **Do away with something** can also mean to get rid of it: **They did away with the old rules.**

17. To destroy something with a bomb is to _____.
✔ **B) blow it up**
Blow up means to destroy something with an explosion or bomb: **They blew up the bridge.**

18. To take a criminal to the police is to _____.
✔ **B) turn them in**
Turn someone in means to take or report a criminal to the police: **His own brother turned him in.** Not **turn them down**, which means to refuse someone's request or offer.

19. To put someone in prison is to _____.
✓ **A) lock them up**
Lock someone up means to put them in prison. Not **do them in**, which is an informal way of saying **kill** them.

20. To not punish someone for their crime is to _____.
✓ **B) let them off**
Let someone off means not to punish them, or to give only a small punishment: **The judge let him off with a warning.** Not **put them away**, which means to send them to prison.

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