ANSWER KEY WITH EXPLANATIONS

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Explanations

1. Nothing will make _____ for their inefficiency.
✓ **C) up**
Make up for means to compensate for something bad. Nothing can **make up for** their inefficiency, so nothing can repair the damage it causes.

2. Before going to the supermarket, make _____ a list of items you want to buy.
✓ **B) out**
Make out a list, a cheque or a form means to write it out completely. Example: **She made out a shopping list.**

3. How is he making _____ in his new job?
✓ **A) out**
Make out can mean to manage or get on in a situation. **How is he making out in his new job?** means **How is he getting on?**

4. Don't trust him. He always makes _____ stories.
✓ **A) up**
Make up a story means to invent it, usually to deceive people. That is why you shouldn't trust him.

5. The thief ran but the police made _____ him and caught him.
✓ **C) after**
Make after someone means to chase them. The police **made after** the thief and caught him. Not **made off**, which means to escape, the thing the thief did.

6. Only good employer-employee relationships can make _____ good production.
✓ **B) for**
Make for means to help produce a result or contribute to it. Good relationships **make for** good production.

7. I can hardly make _____ the letters on that sign. They are too small.
✓ **C) out**
Make out means to see, read or hear something with difficulty. The clue is **hardly** and **too small**.

8. When he sees blood, he passes _____.
✓ **B) out**
Pass out means to faint, or to lose consciousness for a short time. Some people **pass out** when they see blood.

9. I'm so sorry to hear that your father has passed _____.
✓ **B) away**
Pass away is a polite way of saying **die**. It fits the sympathy in **I'm so sorry to hear**.

10. He tried to pass himself _____ as the leader of the community.
✓ **C) off**
Pass yourself off as someone means to pretend to be that person, usually falsely. He pretended to be the community leader.

11. He's passed _____ bad moments in his life.
✓ **A) through**
Pass through a difficult time means to experience it. It is similar to **go through**.

12. If you're clever, you should never pass _____ an opportunity.
✓ **A) up**
Pass up an opportunity means to fail to take it or to refuse it. A clever person never **passes up** a good chance.

13. He is too young to pass _____ a member of this committee.
✓ **C) for**
Pass for means to be accepted as, or to look like, something or someone. Here he is too young to look like a committee member. Example: **She could pass for twenty.** Not **off**: **pass off** needs an object and **as**, as in **pass himself off as a member**.

14. The children remained quiet as the parade passed _____.
✓ **B) by**
Pass by means to go past someone or something. The parade **passed by** the children.

15. Read the book and then pass it _____ to a friend.
✓ **B) on**
Pass on means to give something to another person after you have used it. Example: **Pass the book on to a friend.**

16. Can you help me pull _____ these boots?
✓ **A) off**
Pull off clothes or boots means to remove them with some effort. Boots are often hard to **pull off**, so you might need help.

17. The doctors think she can't pull _____ another heart attack.
✓ **B) through**
Pull through means to survive a serious illness or difficult situation. The doctors fear she won't survive another heart attack.

18. I think I just saw Dad's car pull _____ the driveway.
✔ **A) into**
Pull into a place means to drive a vehicle into it. Example: **The car pulled into the driveway.** Not **pull over**, which means to stop at the side of a road.

19. The sun is so bright. Do you mind if I pull _____ the blinds?
✔ **C) down**
Pull down the blinds means to lower them to cover the window. The bright sun is the reason for doing it.

20. She doesn't exercise anymore so she has put _____ weight.
✔ **A) on**
Put on weight means to become heavier. It is the opposite of **lose weight**.

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