ANSWER KEY WITH EXPLANATIONS

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Explanations

1. Where's the chair?
✔ **C) It's in the room.**
Use **It's** (= it is) for a thing, then a place: **It's in the room. Its** without an apostrophe means 'belonging to it'.

2. Are you writing?
✔ **B) Yes, I am.**
Short answer: **Yes, I am.** We don't use the short form **I'm** at the end of a short answer.

3. What's her name?
✔ **C) Her name's Mary.**
Her name's Mary = her name is Mary. **She's** means 'she is', so **She's name** is wrong.

4. Do you sing or dance?
✔ **D) I sing and I dance.**
For things we do often, we use the verb with no -ing after **I**: **I sing and I dance.** Not **I does**, because **does** goes with **he**, **she** and **it**, not with **I**.

5. Is that a dog?
✔ **A) Yes, it is.**
Short answer to **Is that...?**: **Yes, it is.** We don't end a short answer with **that's**.

6. Is this book red?
✔ **D) No, it's green.**
Green is a colour word, so no **a**: **No, it's green.**

7. What's his mother doing?
✔ **D) Shopping**
A short answer can be just the verb: **Shopping.** His mother is a woman, so **He's** is wrong, and **His/Her shopping** has no verb.

8. How many books are there?
✔ **A) Five**
A short answer to **How many...?** can be just the number: **Five. Five** is more than one, so **There is five** is wrong.

9. Choose the correct answer. Only one answer is correct.
✔ **D) Is this big chair red?**
In a question, put **is** first, then **this big chair**, then the colour: **Is this big chair red?**

10. Bill _____ play tomorrow.
✔ **B) can**
After **can** we use the verb without **to**: **Bill can play.** **Is going** needs **to**: **is going to play**.

11. The knife is _____ the bottle.
✔ **C) near**
Near = not far from: **The knife is near the bottle.** **Next** needs **to** (**next to**), and **between** needs two things.

12. The bicycle is _____ the house.
✔ **D) behind**
Behind = at the back of: **The bicycle is behind the house.** We say **near** (not **near of**) and **in front of**.

13. What's that woman?
✔ **A) She's a doctor.**
What's that woman? asks about her job: **She's a doctor.** To ask her name, we say **Who's that woman?**

14. Do you know Peter?
✔ **C) Yes, I do.**
Short answer to a **Do you...?** question: **Yes, I do.** / **No, I don't.**

15. Choose the correct answer. Only one answer is correct.
✔ **B) You live near them and me.**
After **near** we use **them** and **me**: **You live near them and me.** Not **They lives**, because with **they** the verb has no **-s**.

16. Are _____ brothers?
✔ **C) those big boys**
Word order: **those** + **big** + **boys**. **Are those big boys brothers?**

17. Choose the correct answer. Only one answer is correct.
✔ **A) Is that her dog there?**
That goes with one thing and with **there**: **Is that her dog there?** Use **these/those** with plural nouns (**dogs**).

18. Brenda is writing _____.
✔ **B) on a piece of paper**
We write **on** paper. **Paper** has no **a**, so say **on a piece of paper** or **on paper**. We write **with** a pencil, not **by** a pencil.

19. Choose the correct answer. Only one answer is correct.
✔ **D) Where is Alan living now?**
Question order: **Where** + **is** + **Alan** + **living** + **now**? Put **now** at the end.

20. Monday is the first day.
✔ **B) Thursday is the fourth.**
Monday is 1st, Tuesday 2nd, Wednesday 3rd, so **Thursday is the fourth**.