ANSWER KEY WITH EXPLANATIONS

ELEMENTARY Test 42

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Explanations

1. _____ you like learning English?
✔ **C) Do**
With **you** and the verb **like**, we make questions with **Do**: **Do you like...?** Not **Does**, because **does** goes with he, she and it.

2. What _____ you do last night?
✔ **B) did**
Last night is in the past, so we use **did**: **What did you do last night?**

3. How many languages _____ your mother speak?
✔ **C) does**
Your mother is she, so we use **does**: **How many languages does your mother speak?** Not **do**, which goes with I, you, we and they.

4. When _____ you go shopping last?
✔ **D) did**
Last means the last time in the past, so we use **did**: **When did you go shopping last?**

5. _____ do you weigh?
✔ **C) How much**
We ask about weight with **How much**: **How much do you weigh?** Not **How many**, because it is for things we can count, like **How many books?**

6. Smoking is a _____ habit.
✔ **D) bad**
Before a noun (**habit**) we use an adjective: **a bad habit**. **Badly** goes with a verb, and **worst** needs **the**.

7. The team played _____ and lost the match.
✔ **A) badly**
To say how somebody does something (**played**), we use **badly**: **They played badly.** Not **bad**, because **bad** goes with a noun.

8. Please listen _____.
✔ **B) carefully**
Listen is a verb, so we use **carefully**: **Please listen carefully.** Not **careful**, because **careful** goes with a noun or after **be**.

9. The homework was the _____.
✔ **D) easiest**
After **the** we use the form with **-est**: **the easiest**. Not **easier**, because that is used with **than**, as in **easier than**.

10. Peter's very _____ at tennis. He won the game.
✔ **C) good**
We say **be good at** something: **He's very good at tennis.** Not **well**, because **well** goes with a verb, as in **He plays well**.

11. I know the Prime Minister _____.
✔ **D) well**
Know is a verb, so we use **well**: **I know him well.** Not **good**, because **good** goes with a noun.

12. My husband's a _____ cook.
✔ **A) bad**
Before a noun (**cook**) we use an adjective: **a bad cook**. Not **worst**, because it needs **the**.

13. Teachers work _____, but they don't earn much money.
✔ **C) hard**
Hard can go after a verb: **They work hard** (= they work a lot). Not **hardly**, because **hardly** means 'almost not'.

14. Lunch is a _____ meal for many people.
✔ **A) quick**
Before a noun (**meal**) we use an adjective: **a quick meal**. **Quickly** goes with a verb.

15. Life in New York is very _____.
✔ **B) exciting**
Use **-ing** for the thing that makes us feel something: **Life in New York is exciting.** Not **excited**, because **-ed** is for how a person feels.

16. The teacher was _____ when nobody did the homework.
✔ **A) annoyed**
Use **-ed** for how a person feels: **The teacher was annoyed** (= a little angry). Not **annoying**, because that describes the thing that makes you angry.

17. The news is very _____.
✔ **B) worrying**
Use **-ing** for the thing that makes people feel something: **The news is worrying.** Not **worried**, because **-ed** is for how a person feels.

18. Everybody was very _____ about you.
✔ **A) worried**
Use **-ed** for how people feel: **Everybody was worried about you.** Not **worrying**, because that describes the thing that makes people worry.

19. The game of tennis was very _____.
✔ **C) tiring**
Use **-ing** for the thing that makes us feel something: **The game was tiring** (= it made us tired). Not **tired**, because that is how a person feels.

20. "_____ did the story take place?"

"A long time ago."
✓ **D) When**
The answer **A long time ago** is about time, so we ask with **When**. Not **Where**, because **Where** asks about a place.

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