ANSWER KEY WITH EXPLANATIONS

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Explanations

1. All Michael ate was two thin _____ of bread.
✔ **C) slices**
A **slice** is a thin flat piece cut from something bigger, like bread: **a slice of bread**. The word **thin** is the clue.

2. With this _____ I can get to the windows on the first floor.
✔ **B) ladder**
A **ladder** is a tall thing with steps that you climb to reach high places, like upstairs windows.

3. You can _____ a bus just outside the station.
✔ **B) catch**
We say **catch a bus**, which means get on a bus and travel on it.

4. Take your overcoat with you _____ it gets cold.
✔ **B) in case**
In case means 'because it might happen'. Take your coat because it might get cold. Not **unless**: that means 'if not'.

5. I'd like to _____ this cheque, please.
✔ **A) cash**
To **cash** a cheque means to get money for it at a bank.

6. The police put _____ on the robbers to stop them getting away.
✔ **A) handcuffs**
Handcuffs are two metal rings joined together. The police put them on people's wrists so they can't run away.

7. Jimmy sent his mother a _____ of flowers for her birthday.
✔ **B) bunch**
We say **a bunch of flowers**: some flowers held or tied together.

8. It's raining. _____ take your umbrella with you.
✔ **C) You'd better**
You'd better + verb gives advice: **You'd better take your umbrella.** Not **Let's**, because **Let's** includes the speaker too (we).

9. There's nothing good on television. Let's _____ a video.
✔ **B) hire**
To **hire** a video means to pay to use it for a short time (British English; American English says **rent**).

10. Make sure the knife is really _____ before you cut the meat.
✔ **B) sharp**
A **sharp** knife cuts easily. The opposite is **blunt**.

11. Thanks very much! I'm very _____ for your help.
✔ **B) grateful**
Grateful for means thankful for something: **I'm grateful for your help.** Not **generous**, which means happy to give things to others.

12. I like the colour of the jacket but the _____ are too short.
✔ **D) sleeves**
Sleeves are the parts of a jacket or shirt that cover your arms. They can be too long or too short.

13. Can you just _____ that all the windows are shut?
✔ **B) check**
To **check** means to look again to make sure something is right: **check that the windows are shut**.

14. - Which _____ does our flight leave from?

- Number 12.
✔ **C) gate**
At an airport, the **gate** is the place where you get on the plane, for example **Gate 12**.

15. Look at my sweater! It _____ when I washed it.
✔ **D) stretched**
Stretched means became longer or bigger. Clothes can stretch, or get smaller (**shrink**), when you wash them.

16. Wear a _____ to protect your head in case there's an accident.
✔ **B) crash helmet**
A **crash helmet** is a hard hat that protects your head, for example on a motorbike. A **cap** is soft and doesn't protect you in an accident.

17. Could you _____ your name at the bottom of the letter?
✔ **D) sign**
To **sign** means to write your name in your own special way, for example at the bottom of a letter.

18. James is a terrible cook. He can't even _____ an egg!
✔ **B) boil**
To **boil** an egg means to cook it in very hot water. It's very easy, so a person who can't do it is a terrible cook.

19. Surely they aren't _____ enough to buy such a large car!
✔ **D) wealthy**
Wealthy means rich. You need a lot of money to buy a large car.

20. There isn't any water coming out of this _____.
✓ D) tap
A **tap** is the thing you turn to get water, for example in a kitchen or bathroom (American English: **faucet**).

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