ANSWER KEY WITH EXPLANATIONS

# Everyday Vocabulary A Summit Meeting Test

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## Explanations

**1.** (Please note: The following questions are part of a cloze test. They are interrelated, meaning that the information provided in each question is connected to the others.)

**A SUMMIT MEETING**

The American President and the Russian _____ have announced their intention to _____ a (an) _____ in Vienna next month.
✔ **B) leader**
The sentence compares two heads of state. The American **President** is paired with the Russian **leader**, the person who leads the country. Not **spokesperson**: a spokesperson only speaks for a government and does not hold summit meetings.

**2.** The American President and the Russian _____ have announced their intention to _____ a (an) _____ in Vienna next month.
✔ **D) hold**
We say **hold a meeting**, **hold a summit** or **hold a conference**, meaning to organise it and have it. Not **settle**: we settle a problem or an argument, not a meeting.

**3.** The American President and the Russian _____ have announced their intention to _____ a (an) _____ in Vienna next month.
✔ **A) summit meeting**
A **summit meeting** is a meeting between the leaders of countries, which fits a President and a Russian leader. The title of the text gives the clue. Not **agenda**: an agenda is the list of topics for a meeting, and you cannot hold it in Vienna.

**4.** The two countries have already had _____ talks and decided on a (an) _____ for the meeting.
✔ **B) preliminary**
**Preliminary** means coming before the main event, so it is used for early talks that prepare for it: **preliminary talks**. The talks came before the summit, so this adjective fits. Not **prime**, which means 'main' or 'most important'.

**5.** The two countries have already had _____ talks and decided on a (an) _____ for the meeting.
✔ **C) agenda**
An **agenda** is the list of topics that people plan to discuss at a meeting, so countries **decide on an agenda** before they meet: **The first item on the agenda is trade.** Not **summit**: a summit is the meeting itself, so you can't decide on a summit **for** the meeting. **Breakdown** (when talks fail) and **break-in** (entering a building to steal) don't fit the meaning.

**6.** The main _____ will be a discussion about the nuclear arms situation.
✔ **C) item**
An **item** is one point on an agenda. **The main item** is the most important thing that will be discussed, here the nuclear arms situation. Not **summit meeting**: the summit is the whole meeting, not one topic in it.

**7.** At a _____ conference held in Washington yesterday, a government _____ told journalists that the unfortunate _____ of last year's talks between the two countries had been caused by disagreements over arms.
✔ **D) news**
A **news conference** (also called a **press conference**) is a meeting where officials give information to journalists. The word 'journalists' later in the sentence is the clue.

**8.** At a _____ conference held in Washington yesterday, a government _____ told journalists that the unfortunate _____ of last year's talks between the two countries had been caused by disagreements over arms.
✔ **A) spokesperson**
A **spokesperson** is someone whose job is to speak officially for a government or organisation, for example at a news conference: **A government spokesperson told journalists...** The clue is that this person **told journalists** at a **news conference**. Not **leadership**: it means a group of leaders, and 'a government leadership told journalists' is not natural.

**9.** At a _____ conference held in Washington yesterday, a government _____ told journalists that the unfortunate _____ of last year's talks between the two countries had been caused by disagreements over arms.
✔ **B) breakdown**
A **breakdown** of talks is when talks fail and stop because people cannot agree: **the breakdown of the talks**. The sentence says it was caused by disagreements. Not **breakup**, which is used mainly for the end of a relationship or a group.

**10.** He said the Vienna meeting would be a chance for the two nations to _____ their differences.
✔ **A) settle**
To **settle differences** means to end a disagreement and reach an agreement: **They finally settled their differences.** Not **hold**, which goes with meetings, not with differences.