ANSWER KEY WITH EXPLANATIONS

Everyday Vocabulary Human Sounds Test

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Explanations

1. He was so nervous he could only _____, "I... I... I... I'm pleased to meet you."
✔ **A) stammer**
To **stammer** means to repeat sounds or words because you are nervous, e.g. **I... I... I'm sorry**. The repeated 'I... I... I...' is the clue.

2. Don't _____ all the time. Use a handkerchief and blow your nose.
✔ **C) sniff**
To **sniff** means to pull air in through your nose noisily, often when you have a cold. The clue is **use a handkerchief and blow your nose**.

3. If we are out of breath after running, we _____ and _____.
✔ **D) puff**
When you are out of breath, you **puff and pant**: you breathe quickly and loudly. **Puff** means to breathe out in short, quick breaths.

4. If we are out of breath after running, we _____ and _____.
✔ **B) pant**
When you are out of breath, you **puff and pant**. **Pant** means to breathe fast with your mouth open, e.g. after running.

5. It is said that people _____ if they sleep with their mouths open and on their backs.
✔ **C) snore**
To **snore** means to make a loud noise when you breathe while you are asleep. The clue is **sleep**.

6. He drank a lot of fizzy lemonade quickly and began to _____.
✔ **B) hiccup**
To **hiccup** means to make short, sudden sounds in your throat that you cannot stop. Drinking something fizzy too fast often causes **hiccups**.

7. If you have a cold and you _____, we often say, 'Bless you'.
✔ **D) sneeze**
To **sneeze** means to push air out of your nose suddenly and loudly, e.g. when you have a cold. People often say **Bless you** after someone sneezes.

8. Don't speak so loud! Just _____. The children are asleep.
✔ **A) whisper**
To **whisper** means to speak very quietly. The clue is **Don't speak so loud** and **The children are asleep**.

9. I always used to _____ in history lessons. They were so boring.
✔ **D) yawn**
To **yawn** means to open your mouth wide and breathe in because you are tired or bored. The clue is **so boring**.

10. He can't stop talking. We always _____ with relief when he goes away.
✔ **A) sigh**
To **sigh** means to breathe out slowly and loudly, often because you feel relieved, tired or sad. We say **sigh with relief**.

11. Smoking always makes me _____.
✔ **C) cough**
To **cough** means to push air out of your throat with a loud, sudden noise. Smoke in your throat often makes you **cough**.

12. My children _____ when I tell them they must go to bed.
✔ **B) groan**
To **groan** means to make a long, low sound because you are unhappy or annoyed. Children often **groan** when they hear it is time for bed.

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