ANSWER KEY WITH EXPLANATIONS

Everyday Vocabulary Romance 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.)

ROMANCE

Ann was a very _____ girl who often dreamed of love and marriage.
✔ **B) romantic**
A **romantic** person thinks a lot about love and dreams of it. The clue is "often dreamed of love and marriage". Not **realistic**, which means seeing things as they really are, the opposite of dreamy.

2. She was especially _____ to a young man called Michael, who worked in the same office as she did, and he was very _____ on her too.
✔ **C) attracted**
We say **attracted to** someone when we like them, especially romantically: **She was attracted to Michael.** Not **interested**, because it takes **in**, not **to**: **interested in someone**.

3. She was especially _____ to a young man called Michael, who worked in the same office as she did, and he was very _____ on her too.
✔ **A) keen**
Keen on someone means you like them a lot. The preposition **on** in the sentence is the clue. Not **interested**, because we say **interested in**, not **interested on**.

4. They became friendly and one day, Michael asked her to go out with him. Their first _____ was a visit to the cinema, and they both enjoyed the evening so much that they decided to _____ together regularly.
✔ **D) date**
A **date** is a planned romantic meeting, such as a trip to the cinema: **Their first date was at a café.** Not **engagement**, which is an agreement to marry. Not **dating**, because it is the activity, not a single meeting.

5. Their first _____ was a visit to the cinema, and they both enjoyed the evening so much that they decided to _____ together regularly.
✔ **B) go out**
Go out (together / with someone) means to have a romantic relationship and meet regularly. It matches "asked her to go out with him" earlier in the text. The other phrasal verbs don't have this meaning.

6. Michael was a bit untidy and rather young, and Ann's parents didn't _____ of him at first, but Ann was a sensible, _____ girl and they had confidence in her.
✔ **A) approve**
Approve of someone means to think they are good or suitable. The preposition **of** after the gap is the clue: **Her parents didn't approve of him.** None of the other verbs go with **of**.

7. Michael was a bit untidy and rather young, and Ann's parents didn't _____ of him at first, but Ann was a sensible, _____ girl and they had confidence in her.
✔ **C) mature**
Mature means sensible and behaving like an adult. It goes with "sensible", and her parents had confidence in her. Not **immature**, which means the opposite and would not give her parents confidence.

8. For a year or so, everything went well, but then somehow they slowly began to _____ until finally, they decided to _____ their _____.
✔ **B) drift apart**
Drift apart means to slowly become less close to someone. The clues are "slowly began to" and the later break-up. Not **settle down**, which means to start a calm, stable life together. That is the opposite of what happened.

9. For a year or so, everything went well, but then somehow they slowly began to _____ until finally, they decided to _____ their _____.
✔ **D) break off**
Break off a relationship means to end it: **They broke off their relationship.** Not **break down**, because it does not take an object here. It means to stop working, or to start crying.

10. For a year or so, everything went well, but then somehow they slowly began to _____ until finally, they decided to _____ their _____.
✔ **A) relationship**
Ann and Michael were going out together but were not married, so they ended their **relationship**. Not **marriage**, because the story never says they got married. Not **date**, because that is only one meeting.