ANSWER KEY WITH EXPLANATIONS

# Pronouns – Adverbs – Adjectives – Determiners (Elementary / Pre-Intermediate) Test 3

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## Explanations

**1.** There were not _____ people at the market yesterday.
✔ **A) many**
**People** is plural and countable, so we use **many**. **Not many** means only a small number. Not **much**, because **much** is for things we can't count, like water.

**2.** I put _____ sugar on the fruit. I do not like sugar very much.
✔ **D) a little**
**Sugar** is uncountable, and the person doesn't like sugar, so they put only **a little**. **A few** is for countable nouns, like **a few apples**.

**3.** We can all get on the bus. There are only _____ passengers on it now.
✔ **C) a few**
**Passengers** is a plural countable noun. **Only a few** means a small number, so there is room for everyone. **A little** is only for uncountable nouns.

**4.** The policeman is holding the _____ right arm.
✔ **B) robber's**
The arm belongs to one robber, so we use **'s**: **the robber's arm**. **Robbers'** means more than one robber.

**5.** It was my _____ watch.
✔ **C) grandfather's**
The watch belongs to my grandfather, so we say **my grandfather's watch**. We don't say **my watch of grandfather**.

**6.** I can see the _____ bicycles.
✔ **A) boys'**
The bicycles belong to more than one boy. With a plural noun ending in **-s**, we add only an apostrophe: **the boys' bicycles**.

**7.** I checked the answers. Two of _____ were wrong.
✔ **C) them**
**Answers** is plural, and after **of** we use an object pronoun, so we say **two of them**. Not **they**, because **they** is a subject pronoun.

**8.** The postman gave me two letters, so I gave _____ to my mother.
✔ **A) them**
**Two letters** is plural, and the pronoun comes after the verb **gave**, so we use **them**. Not **it**, because **it** is for one thing.

**9.** The army lost the battle because _____ was not strong.
✔ **C) it**
**The army** is one group, and the verb is **was** (singular), so the subject is **it**. Not **they**, because we say **they were**, not **they was**.

**10.** My parents are coming. I'll open the door for _____.
✔ **B) them**
**My parents** means two people, and after **for** we use the object pronoun **them**. Not **they**, because **they** is a subject pronoun.

**11.** Is this radio _____?
✔ **D) yours**
To ask who something belongs to, we use a possessive pronoun: **Is this radio yours?** (= your radio).

**12.** Give that ball to Tom and me. It _____.
✔ **B) is ours**
**Tom and me** = **us**, so the ball belongs to us: **It is ours**. Not **is our**, because **our** must have a noun after it (**our ball**).

**13.** We washed _____ and then had our dinner.
✔ **D) ourselves**
The subject is **we**, so the reflexive pronoun is **ourselves**: **We washed ourselves**.

**14.** You must learn to defend _____, Tom.
✔ **A) yourself**
We are talking to one person, Tom, so we use **yourself**. **Yourselves** is for two or more people.

**15.** I cut _____ on that piece of wire.
✔ **B) myself**
The subject is **I**, so the reflexive pronoun is **myself**: **I cut myself**.

**16.** I saw the girls, so I spoke to _____.
✔ **D) them**
**The girls** is plural, and after **to** we use the object pronoun **them**. Not **her**, because that is for one girl.

**17.** You can have these books. _____ are too hard for me.
✔ **B) They**
**These books** is plural, and the pronoun is the subject of **are**, so we use **They**. Not **There**, which is not a pronoun for things.

**18.** The rope was not very strong, so we did not use _____.
✔ **D) it**
**The rope** is one thing, and it comes after the verb **use**, so we use **it**. **Them** is for more than one thing.

**19.** The policeman spoke to my sister and me. He told _____ about the bridge.
✔ **A) us**
**My sister and me** = **us**. After the verb **told**, we need an object pronoun, so we say **He told us**. Not **we**, because **we** is a subject pronoun.

**20.** The bananas were not ripe, so we did not buy _____.
**✓ C) them**
**The bananas** is plural, and the pronoun comes after **buy**, so we use **them**. Not **it**, because **it** is for one thing.

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