ANSWER KEY WITH EXPLANATIONS

Pronouns – Adverbs – Adjectives – Determiners (Elementary / Pre-Intermediate) Test 6

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Explanations

1. A: Do you have five dollars?

B: No, I don't, but Oswald has _____ money with him.
✓ **A) a lot of**
We use **a lot of** before a noun: **a lot of money**. Not **lots**, because it needs **of** before a noun: **lots of money**.

2. Someone forgot an umbrella. I'll try to find out _____ umbrella it is.
✓ **C) whose**
We use **whose** to ask who something belongs to: **whose umbrella** = the umbrella of which person. Not **who**, because **who umbrella** is not correct.

3. Most of the students _____ in the classroom now.
✓ **C) are**
Most of the students is plural, and **now** shows the present, so we use **are**.

4. A: May I help you?

B: Yes, I want three _____.
✓ **B) cans of beans**
We say **three cans of beans**: **cans** is plural after **three**, and we need **of** before **beans**.

5. Half of the salad _____ yours.
✓ **A) is**
Salad here is one thing (uncountable), so **half of the salad** takes a singular verb: **is**.

6. "That coat is expensive, isn't it?"

"Yes, it costs _____."
✓ **C) too much money**
Money is uncountable, so we say **too much money**. Not **a lot of**, because it needs a noun after it.

7. A: Let's have lunch at the Sultan Restaurant.

B: I can't. I didn't bring _____ money today.
✓ **B) any**
In negative sentences we use **any**: **I didn't bring any money**. Not **no**, because **didn't** is already negative.

8. A: Would you like some coffee?

B: Yes please, but just _____.
✓ **D) a little**
Coffee is uncountable, so we use **a little** (a small amount). Not **a few**, which is for countable nouns like **cups**.

9. A: Whose house is that?

B: It's _____.
✓ **D) the Taylors'**
The Taylors is the whole family (plural). For a plural noun ending in -s, we add only an apostrophe: **the Taylors'** (house).

10. Would you like _____ of this cake?
✓ **A) some**
In offers we use **some**: **Would you like some cake?** **A few** and **few** are for countable nouns.

11. The boy has a knife. Don't let him cut _____.
✓ **A) himself**
The boy is **he**, so we use **himself**: the boy may cut his own body.

12. A: Do you read a lot?

B: Yes, I read _____ books every year.
✓ **B) a lot of**
Before a noun we use **a lot of**: **a lot of books**. Not **a lot**, because it has no **of**; **very few** doesn't match **Yes, I read a lot**.

13. A: What is the matter with the baby?

B: She is _____ hungry.
✓ **B) a little**
Before an adjective we use **a little** to mean 'slightly': **She is a little hungry**.

14. My niece can't find her umbrella. Is this blue one _____?
✓ **D) hers**
My niece is **she**, and without a noun after it we use **hers** (= her umbrella).

15. He paid for an ice-cream for _____.
✓ **D) me**
After a preposition like **for**, we use the object pronoun **me**: **for me**. Not **I**.

16. A: Have you read this new book by Robert O'Neill?

B: No, I haven't. _____ like to read it.
✓ **D) I'd**
B is talking about himself or herself (**I haven't**), so we use **I'd** (= I would): **I'd like to read it**.

17. A: Is Ashley’s new dress blue?

B: No, _____ is green. Helen’s is blue.
✔ **A) hers**
Hers means 'her dress' (Ashley's dress). We use **hers** without a noun after it. Not **her**, because **her** needs a noun: **her dress**.

18. If the police _____ arrive soon, they’ll be too late.
✔ **C) don’t**
The police is always plural, so we say **the police don't arrive**.

19. He has two friends. That’s not very _____.
✔ **B) many**
Friends is a countable plural noun, so we use **many**: **not very many**. Not **much**, which is for uncountable nouns.

20. There _____ some fish very near the coast.
✔ **D) were**
Here **some fish** means many fish in the sea (plural), so we use **were**. Not **weren't**, because we don't use **some** in this negative sentence.

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