ANSWER KEY WITH EXPLANATIONS

Noun Suffixes -tion, -ment, -ness, -ity Quiz: Rules and Examples

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Explanations

1. Thanks for the ___ to your party! I'd love to come.
✔ **C) invitation**
Invite becomes invitation, the card or message that asks you to come.

2. It was a difficult ___, but in the end I chose the job in London.
✔ **A) decision**
Decide is a verb. Verbs that end in -de often change to -sion: decide, decision.

3. Free ___ for every child is very important.
✔ **B) education**
Educate becomes education: the final -e goes and -tion is added.

4. Many people try to win the same prize, and only one wins. What is it?
✔ **D) a competition**
In a competition, many people try to win one prize. The verb is compete.

5. The doctor watched every ___ of my arm.
✔ **A) movement**
Move + -ment = movement. Keep the e before -ment.

6. After two hours of talking, they came to an ___.
✔ **C) agreement**
Agree + -ment = agreement. We say come to an agreement.

7. We accept ___ by card or cash.
✔ **D) payment**
Pay + -ment = payment, the money you give for something.

8. Your writing is much better this term. It's a big ___.
✔ **B) improvement**
Improve + -ment = improvement: something is better than before.

9. Which spelling is right?
✔ **A) happiness**
Happy + -ness: the y changes to i, so we write happiness.

10. Thank you for your ___. You helped me a lot when I was ill.
✔ **B) kindness**
Kind + -ness = kindness: helping people and thinking about their feelings.

11. He stayed at home for two weeks because of ___.
✔ **C) illness**
Ill + -ness = illness. Flu is an illness.

12. I go to the gym three times a week for ___.
✔ **D) fitness**
Fit + -ness = fitness: how strong and healthy your body is.

13. She has the ___ to learn new languages very fast.
✔ **B) ability**
Able + -ity = ability. The -ble changes to -bil-.

14. Which word means "something you do, often for fun"?
✔ **A) activity**
An activity is something you do, often for fun: sport, games, art. It comes from active + -ity.

15. The weather forecast says there's a ___ of snow tomorrow.
✔ **C) possibility**
Possible + -ity = possibility, something that can happen. The -ble changes to -bil-.

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