ANSWER KEY WITH EXPLANATIONS

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Explanations

1. A: Did you meet _____ at the party?

B: Yes, I met _____ who knows you!
✔ **C) anybody / somebody**
In questions we usually use **anybody**. In positive sentences we use **somebody**: **I met somebody who knows you.**

2. A: Ouch! There's _____ in my eye!

B: Let me look. No, I can't see _____.
✔ **A) something / anything**
Positive sentence: **something**. Negative sentence (**can't**): **anything**. Not **nothing**, because **can't** is already negative.

3. A: Let's go _____ hot for our holidays.

B: But we can't go _____; that's too expensive.
✔ **B) somewhere / anywhere**
For a place in a positive sentence, use **somewhere**. After **can't**, use **anywhere**.

4. A: I don't want to talk to _____.

B: And I want to talk to _____ either.
✔ **A) anyone / no one**
After **don't** we use **anyone**. The verb **want** in B's sentence is positive, so we need a negative word: **no one**. Not **nobody / somebody**, because **don't ... nobody** is a double negative.

5. I lost my glasses. I looked _____, but I couldn't find them.
✔ **B) everywhere**
Everywhere means in all places. I looked in all places, but I couldn't find my glasses.

6. A: Did you buy _____ at the shops?

B: No, _____. I didn't have any money.
✔ **C) anything / nothing**
In questions we use **anything**. In a short negative answer we use **nothing**: **No, nothing.**

7. It was a great party. _____ loved it.
✔ **D) Everybody**
Everybody means all the people. All the people loved the party.

8. I'm bored. I want _____ interesting to read, or _____ to talk to, or _____ interesting to go.
✔ **C) something / somebody / somewhere**
In positive sentences we use **some-** words: **something** (a thing), **somebody** (a person), **somewhere** (a place).

9. Have you got _____ homework?
✔ **B) much**
Homework is uncountable, so in questions we use **much**. Not **many** or **a few**, which are for countable nouns, and not **a lot** without **of**.

10. We don't need _____ eggs. Just half a dozen.
✔ **B) many**
Eggs is a plural countable noun, so in negative sentences we use **many**. **Just half a dozen** means we need only six.

11. Is there _____ traffic in your town?
✔ **D) much**
Traffic is uncountable, so in questions we use **much**. **Many** and **a few** are for countable nouns.

12. I have _____ close friends. Two or three.
✔ **C) a few**
Friends is countable, and **two or three** is a small number, so we use **a few**.

13. I don't know _____ students in this class because I am a newcomer.
✔ **A) many**
Students is countable, so in negative sentences we use **many**. Not **much**, which is for uncountable nouns.

14. How _____ people live in your house?
✔ **C) many**
People is countable, so we ask **How many ...?**

15. He has _____ money. He's a millionaire.
✔ **B) a lot of**
A millionaire has a big amount of money, so we use **a lot of money**. Not **a lot**, because before a noun we need **of**.

16. A: Do you take sugar in coffee?

B: Just _____. Half a spoonful.
✔ **C) a little**
Sugar is uncountable, and half a spoonful is a small amount, so we use **a little**. Not **a few**, which is for countable nouns.

17. A: Have you got _____ CDs?

B: Yes, hundreds.
✔ **D) lots of**
Hundreds is a big number, so we use **lots of** with the countable noun **CDs**.

18. I'll be ready in _____ minutes.
✔ **D) a few**
Minutes is countable, so a small number of minutes is **a few minutes**.

19. She speaks good Spanish, but only _____ Russian.
✔ **D) a little**
Russian (a language) is uncountable. **Only** shows a small amount, so we use **a little**.

20. I come to _____ school by _____ bus.
✔ **C) _____ / _____**
We say **go to school** (no article) when we mean going there to study. We use no article with **by** + transport: **by bus**, **by car**.

21. This morning _____ bus was late.
✔ **D) the**
We use **the** because we know which bus: the one I take every day.

22. My favorite subject is _____ history, but I'm not very good at _____ math.
✔ **D) _____ / _____**
We don't use an article before school subjects: **history**, **math**.

23. Ankara is _____ capital of Turkey.
✔ **A) the**
A country has only one capital, so we use **the**: **the capital of Turkey**.

24. I work in _____ company that makes _____ carpets.
✔ **A) a / _____**
We use **a** when we mention one of many companies for the first time: **a company**. We use no article with plural nouns in general: **carpets**. Not **an**, because **company** starts with a consonant sound.

25. My friend lives in _____ same street as me.
✔ **D) the**
We always say **the same**: **the same street**, **the same day**.

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