ENGLISH GRAMMAR TESTS

Spoken English Quiz: Discourse Markers and Short Replies

15 questions · Choose the correct answer. Online test and answer key with explanations:
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1. "Do you like my new haircut?" "___, it's OK. I preferred it longer."
A) Anyway **B)** By the way
C) Well **D)** Right

2. "Let's get a takeaway tonight." Choose the reply that agrees with the plan.
A) Sounds well! **B)** Sounds good!
C) Sounds goodly! **D)** Is sounding good!

3. Which word means "now, at this time"?
A) actually **B)** anyway
C) currently **D)** by the way

4. "You're from Australia, aren't you?" "___, I'm from New Zealand."
A) Actually **B)** Anyway
C) So **D)** You know

5. "Well, that's enough about the weather. ___, I'd better go. My train leaves at six."
A) Actually **B)** I mean
C) Anyway **D)** You know

6. "I passed my driving test!" "___ That's brilliant!"
A) Do you? **B)** Did you?
C) Are you? **D)** Were you?

7. Which phrase do we use to add a new point that is not connected to the topic?
A) I mean **B)** You know
C) Actually **D)** By the way

8. "Thanks so much for the lift!" Choose the natural reply.
A) Never mind. **B)** No worries.
C) It doesn't matter. **D)** I agree.

9. "The film was good. ___, it wasn't perfect, but I really enjoyed it."
A) By the way **B)** Right
C) So **D)** I mean

10. The teacher is ready to start the lesson. "___, let's look at page 20."
A) Right **B)** By the way
C) I mean **D)** You know

11. What is the full form of "Want a coffee?"
A) Are you want a coffee?
B) You wanting a coffee?
C) Do you want a coffee?
D) Is want a coffee?

12. Which word is best in formal writing? "The plan was cheap. ___, it did not work."
A) Anyway **B)** However
C) You know **D)** I mean

13. In British English, "Cheers!" at the end of a conversation often means ___.
A) sorry **B)** excuse me
C) help **D)** thanks

14. "I've just got a puppy!" Which reply shows interest?
A) Have you? What breed is it?
B) Yes.
C) Has you? What breed is it?
D) Do you? What breed is it?

15. "Shall we walk to the station?" "___ It's a lovely evening."
A) What not? **B)** Why?
C) Not why? **D)** Why not?

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