ANSWER KEY WITH EXPLANATIONS

Vocabulary Test About FURNITURE AND FITTINGS Choose The Best Answer MCQ Exercise 122

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Explanations

1. All the rooms have _____ carpets, which are included in the price of the house.
✔ **C) fitted**
Fitted carpets are cut to fit a room exactly and fixed to the floor, so they usually stay when a house is sold. **Fitted** is also used for **fitted kitchen** and **fitted wardrobes**. Not **equipped**, which describes a room that has the tools or machines it needs, not carpets.

2. She read him a good-night story, _____ him up and then kissed him and turned the light off.
✔ **D) tucked**
To **tuck somebody up** (or **tuck somebody in**) means to make a child comfortable in bed by pushing the edges of the covers under the mattress around them. Not **folded**, which is used for clothes or paper, not people.

3. The Palace offered a variety of _____ riches: Persian rugs, marble tables, etc.
✔ **B) opulent**
Opulent means rich, expensive and grand-looking, as in **an opulent palace** or **opulent furnishings**. It describes things. **Affluent** and **wealthy** mostly describe people or areas that have a lot of money, so **wealthy riches** sounds wrong.

4. Put the vase on the _____ over the fireplace.
✔ **B) mantelpiece**
The **mantelpiece** is the shelf above a fireplace. The clue is **over the fireplace**. Not **sill**: a sill is the shelf at the bottom of a window (**windowsill**).

5. The children were sleeping _____ in bed.
✔ **C) snugly**
Snugly means in a warm, comfortable and protected way. Example: **The baby was wrapped snugly in a blanket.** Not **homely**, which is an adjective (in British English, 'simple and comfortable'), not an adverb.

6. Don't leave your coat on the chair; hang it on the _____ behind the door.
✔ **B) hook**
A **hook** is a curved piece of metal or plastic for hanging things such as coats. Not **rod**: you hang curtains or clothes hangers on a rod, but a single coat behind a door goes on a **hook**.

7. In the old days, curtains were hung over doors to keep out _____.
✔ **C) draughts**
A **draught** (American English **draft**) is a current of cold air that comes into a room, for example under a door. People hang curtains to **keep out draughts**. Not **breezes**: a breeze is a pleasant light wind outdoors, usually something people welcome.

8. The drawer is _____; I shall have to try and open it with a knife.
✔ **D) stuck**
Stuck means fixed in one position and impossible to move, so the speaker needs a knife to force the drawer open. Not **bolted**, which means locked on purpose with a bolt; a knife would not usually open that.

9. With its expensive furniture and carefully chosen colour scheme, the room looked _____.
✔ **D) luxurious**
Luxurious means very comfortable, expensive and of high quality, which matches **expensive furniture**. Not **luxuriant**: this looks similar but means growing thickly and well, as in **luxuriant hair** or **luxuriant plants**.

10. The room was _____ of furniture.
✔ **B) devoid**
Devoid of means completely without something, as in **a room devoid of furniture**. The clue is the preposition **of**, which goes with **devoid**. Not **absent**: we say something is **absent from** a place, not **absent of**.

11. As Mary opened the door, the candle _____ in the breeze and then went out.
✔ **B) flickered**
A flame that **flickers** burns unsteadily, getting brighter and weaker, often because of moving air. The clue is **in the breeze and then went out**. Not **twinkled**: stars and eyes twinkle with small, regular flashes of light.

12. There is no danger in using this machinery as long as you _____ to the safety regulations.
✔ **B) adhere**
Adhere to rules means to follow or obey them exactly. The gap is followed by **to**, which fits only **adhere**. Not **comply** or **observe**: we say **comply with** the regulations and **observe** the regulations, with no **to**.