ANSWER KEY WITH EXPLANATIONS

Vocabulary Test About NEWSPAPERS AND MAGAZINES Choose The Right Answer MCQ Exercise 164

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Explanations

1. I don't think this newspaper cartoon is very funny, but I like the _____ under it.
✔ **A) caption**
A **caption** is the short text printed under a picture, photo or cartoon that explains it or adds a joke. Not **label**, which is a small piece of paper or card stuck on an object that gives information about it.

2. When you go out, will you get me _____ of "Newsweek"?
✔ **A) a copy**
A **copy** is one single printed example of a newspaper or magazine: **Can I buy a copy of today's paper?** Not **an edition**, which means all the copies printed at one time, not the one magazine you buy.

3. A _____ from the local newspaper asked for details of the accident.
✔ **C) reporter**
A **reporter** works for a newspaper and collects information about events, for example by asking people questions. A **newsagent** sells newspapers in a shop, and a **broadcaster** works on radio or TV.

4. The press couldn't speak to the Ministry employees: they had to wait for a statement from the Government _____.
✔ **D) spokesman**
A **spokesman** is a person who speaks officially for a government or organisation and gives statements to the press. Not **speaker**, which is anyone who gives a talk; it does not mean an official representative.

5. Although there is no official censorship in our country, the press is still _____ the laws of the land.
✔ **D) subject to**
To be **subject to** something means you must obey it or are affected by it: **Everyone is subject to the law.** Even without censorship, the press must still follow the laws. Not **accountable for**: we are accountable **for** our actions, not for the laws.

6. I read a newspaper every day to keep _____ with current affairs.
✔ **D) up to date**
The fixed phrase is **keep up to date with** something, which means to keep learning the newest information about it. **Contemporary**, **modern** and **present-day** describe things that belong to our time, and they do not form this phrase.

7. There is a very interesting _____ about cancer in the paper.
✔ **A) article**
An **article** is a piece of writing in a newspaper or magazine. A **documentary** and a **programme** are on TV or radio. Not **news**, which is uncountable, so we cannot say **a news**.

8. A newspaper _____ normally makes the final decision about the paper's contents.
✔ **A) editor**
The **editor** is the person in charge of a newspaper who decides what goes into it. Not **publisher**, which is the person or company that owns the paper and produces and sells it.

9. Dear Sirs, I am writing in response to your _____ for a sales clerk in yesterday's "Business Man".
✔ **A) advertisement**
An **advertisement** (or **ad**) in a newspaper can offer a job: **I am writing in response to your advertisement for...** is a standard opening for a job application. Not **announcement**, which gives news or information; it does not offer jobs.

10. Our newspaper increased its _____ by eighty thousand copies.
✔ **B) circulation**
The **circulation** of a newspaper is the number of copies it sells or gives out regularly: **The paper has a circulation of 200,000. Amount** and **quantity** are general words and are not used for newspapers in this way.

11. Could I have a copy of the _____ issue of the "National Geographic", please?
✔ **C) latest**
The **latest issue** is the newest one that has come out. Not **actual**, which means 'real' in English, not 'current'. **Recent** would need **most**: **the most recent issue**.

12. He took out a (an) _____ to "The Times".
✔ **D) subscription**
A **subscription** is money you pay in advance so that a newspaper or magazine is sent to you regularly: **take out a subscription to a magazine**. A **prescription** is a note from a doctor for medicine. An **inscription** is words written on stone or in a book.

13. You must look in the _____ section of the newspaper to find what films are showing.
✓ B) entertainment
The **entertainment** section of a newspaper lists films, concerts and shows. Not **recreation**, which means free-time activities such as sport and hobbies, not a newspaper section.

14. Every morning I do the crossword _____ in the newspaper.
✓ B) puzzle
The fixed phrase is **crossword puzzle**, a word game in which you fill a grid with words that answer clues. We usually say **do a crossword (puzzle)**.

15. Many newspapers are holding lotteries to _____ sales.
✓ C) promote
To **promote sales** means to help sales grow, for example with special offers or competitions. Not **advertise** or **publicise**, which mean to tell people about a product or event; you do not advertise or publicise sales in this sense.

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