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# Vocabulary Test About POTS AND PANS Choose The Right Answer MCQ Exercise 64

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## Explanations

**1.** Be careful not to _____ the tray too much or the glasses will slide off.
✔ **C) tilt**
To **tilt** something means to move it so that one side is higher than the other. If you tilt a tray too much, the glasses slide off. Not **incline**, which is formal and is not normally used for moving a tray in your hands.

**2.** Mr Clumsy tripped and sent the whole pile of metal plates _____ to the ground.
✔ **A) clattering**
A **clatter** is the loud, rattling noise of hard metal or china objects hitting each other or the floor, so the plates went **clattering** to the ground. **Tinkling** is a light, gentle sound, and **thudding** is a dull, heavy sound.

**3.** She _____ the tablecloth carefully and put it away in a drawer.
✔ **C) folded**
To **fold** a cloth means to bend it neatly so that one part lies on top of another, for example before putting it away. **Creased** means it got unwanted lines in it, which you would not do carefully.

**4.** There was a sharp _____ and the plate broke into two pieces.
✔ **B) crack**
A **crack** is the short, sharp sound of something hard, like china, breaking. The word **sharp** and the plate breaking into two pieces are the clues. A **crash** is louder and is used when something falls and smashes.

**5.** Separate the eggs and then beat with a _____.
✔ **C) whisk**
A **whisk** is a kitchen tool made of wire loops that you use to beat eggs or cream quickly. Not **whip**, which here would be a long piece of leather used for hitting animals. In cooking, **whip** is normally a verb, not a tool.

**6.** These silver spoons need _____.
✔ **C) polishing**
**Polishing** means rubbing something to make it clean and shiny. Silver often goes dark and needs polishing. **need + -ing** has a passive meaning: **The spoons need polishing** = they need to be polished.

**7.** Sweep the _____ off the tablecloth before you put it away.
✔ **A) crumbs**
**Crumbs** are the very small pieces that fall from bread or cake when you eat. They are what you find on a tablecloth after a meal. **Dust** and **dirt** are not typically left on a tablecloth by eating.

**8.** You should always _____ the plates with clean water after you have washed them.
✔ **B) rinse**
To **rinse** means to wash something quickly with clean water to remove soap or dirt. **Soak** means to leave something in water for a long time, which you do before washing, not after.

**9.** WANTED: A sensible and _____ person to assist with kitchen and cleaning duties.
✔ **B) capable**
**Capable** means able to do things well and deal with tasks effectively. It is common in job adverts: **a capable person**. Not **adept**, which is normally followed by **at** (**adept at cooking**) and is less common in adverts.

**10.** He rubbed his finger round the _____ of the glass.
✔ **C) rim**
The **rim** is the top edge of a round object such as a glass, cup or bowl: **He ran his finger round the rim of the glass.** A **spout** is the tube on a teapot or kettle that you pour from, and a glass doesn't have one.

**11.** A food mixer is a very useful _____ to have in the kitchen.
✔ **A) gadget**
A **gadget** is a small, useful machine or device, and **kitchen gadget** is a very common phrase. Not **equipment**, because it is uncountable and cannot be used with **a**. An **instrument** is used for scientific, medical or musical purposes.

**12.** There was a loud _____ as the cup fell to the floor.
✔ **A) crash**
A **crash** is the loud noise of something falling and breaking. **Slam** is used for doors or lids closing hard, and a **tap** is a light, quiet sound.

**13.** The refrigerator was _____ with food.
✔ **C) crammed**
**Crammed with** means so full that there is no space left: **The fridge was crammed with food.** Not **full**, because we say **full of**, not **full with**.

**14.** We buy a month's supply of meat and keep it in the _____.
✔ **C) freezer**
A **freezer** keeps food frozen, so meat can be stored safely for weeks or months. A **month's supply** of meat is the clue. In a simple **container** or **cabinet**, the meat would go bad.

**15.** I could hear the _____ of dishes in the kitchen as Mrs Hardworking was washing up.
**✓ A) clatter**
A **clatter** is the noise of plates and dishes knocking against each other, for example when someone is washing up. A **jingle** is the light sound of keys or coins, and a **rustle** is the sound of paper or leaves.

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