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Vocabulary Test About RESTAURANTS Choose The Right Answer MCQ Exercise 69

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Explanations

1. The food my mother cooks is plain but _____.
✓ **D) wholesome**
Wholesome food is simple, healthy and good for you, so it fits **plain but wholesome**. Not **tasteful**: that describes good style, for example in clothes or decoration, not food.

2. The food they serve here is excellent because they have a fine _____.
✓ **A) chef**
A **chef** is the professional cook in a restaurant. A **cooker** is a machine for cooking, and a **headwaiter** serves food but does not cook it.

3. Game pie is the _____ of the restaurant.
✓ **D) speciality**
A restaurant's **speciality** is the dish it is famous for or does especially well: **Fish soup is the speciality of the house.**

4. Miss Forgetful must remember to put the dinner invitation in her _____.
✓ **B) diary**
A **diary** is a small book where you write your appointments and plans. Not **agenda**: in English this is a list of topics for a meeting.

5. Two _____ beers, please.
✓ **A) cold**
We order **cold** drinks: **two cold beers**. **Frozen** beer would be solid ice, and **freezing** and **icy** are not normally used alone for drinks.

6. Waiter, can I see the _____, please?
✓ **C) wine list**
The usual phrase is **wine list**: the list of wines a restaurant offers. **List of wines** and **card of wines** are not the fixed expression, and a **catalogue** is a book of goods you can buy from a shop or company.

7. All the food in this little restaurant is _____.
✓ **C) home-made**
Home-made food is made in the restaurant or at home, not bought from a factory. **Handmade** is used for objects such as shoes or furniture.

8. What would you like for your first _____? There are a lot of interesting things on the menu.
✓ **A) course**
A **course** is one part of a meal, such as the starter, the main course or the dessert. **First course** is the fixed phrase. **Meal** is the whole thing, not one part.

9. I enjoyed the dessert so much that I had a second _____.
✓ **A) helping**
A **helping** is one portion of food served to a person: **I had a second helping of cake.**

10. By the time we got to the town, all the restaurants had _____.
✓ **C) shut**
After **had** we need a past participle: **had shut** (or **had closed**). **Close** is the base form, so it is wrong after **had**.

11. The food was badly cooked and I was most _____ with it.
✓ **C) dissatisfied**
Dissatisfied with something means not pleased with its quality: **I was most dissatisfied with the meal.** Not **disappointing**: the -ing form describes the food itself, not how you feel. **Angry** usually goes with **with** a person and **about** a thing.

12. Can I see the manager? I wish to _____ about the terrible food I've been served.
✓ **A) complain**
We **complain about** something that is bad: **complain about the food**. **Criticise** takes a direct object with no **about**, and **disapprove** goes with **of**.

13. Mr Impatient _____ to the head waiter about the slow service.
✓ **B) complained**
The pattern is **complain to someone about something**. **Argue** goes with **with**, not **to**.

14. The management is not _____ loss or damage to customers' property.
✓ **C) responsible for**
Responsible for means having to pay for or answer for something: **We are not responsible for lost items.** Not **liable to**: the correct phrase is **liable for**.

15. The _____ at that new restaurant is excellent.
✓ **D) service**
Service is the way staff serve and look after customers in a restaurant: **The service was fast and friendly.**

16. A new restaurant has opened here which specializes in French _____.
✓ **B) cuisine**
Cuisine is a style of cooking from a country or region: **French cuisine**, **Italian cuisine**. **Kitchen** is the room where food is cooked.

17. I really don't like the way meals are _____ here.
✔ **D) served**
Meals are **served** when they are brought to the customers. **Dished** needs **up** (**dished up**), so it does not fit alone here.

18. I enjoy eating here because the staff are so _____.
✔ **B) helpful**
Helpful staff are happy to help you, which is a good reason to enjoy a place. **Subservient** means too eager to obey, which is a negative word.

19. Mr Discontent wanted to complain to the waiter but was afraid of making a (an) _____.
✔ **D) scene**
To **make a scene** means to show anger loudly in public: **Please don't make a scene in the restaurant.**

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