ANSWER KEY WITH EXPLANATIONS

Vocabulary Test About TEACHERS Choose The Correct Answer MCQ Exercise 47

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Explanations

1. At the beginning of the school year, every teacher is _____ a classroom.
✔ **A) allocated**
To **allocate** something means to officially give it to someone for a particular purpose: **Each teacher is allocated a classroom.** Not **distributed**, which means sharing things out among many people, so it does not fit one classroom given to each teacher.

2. Could you stand _____ for me and teach my history class tomorrow, Maggie?
✔ **B) in**
To **stand in for** someone means to do their job for a short time while they are away: **Could you stand in for me tomorrow? Stand down** means to leave a position, and **stand up for** means to defend someone.

3. The teaching profession offers good career _____ for the well-qualified teacher.
✔ **C) prospects**
Career prospects are the chances of success and promotion in a job in the future. This is a fixed collocation. Not **perspectives**, which are points of view. We say **the career ladder**, not **career ladders** in this sense.

4. Mr Optimist has been looking for a school with a _____ attitude towards its students and their work.
✔ **D) serious**
A **serious attitude** towards something means treating it as important and giving it careful attention. **Grave** means very worrying (**a grave situation**), and **hard** or **heavy** do not collocate with **attitude** in this meaning.

5. I wonder whether the lecturer will be up to the _____ questions such an audience is capable of.
✔ **D) searching**
Searching questions are deep, thorough questions that try to find out the truth or test someone's knowledge. **To be up to** something means to be able to deal with it. **Piercing** collocates with eyes, sounds or looks (**a piercing scream**), not questions, and **cutting** means unkind (**a cutting remark**).

6. Prof. Pedant announced that he was addressing the meeting in his _____ as a teacher.
✔ **A) capacity**
In one's capacity as means in a particular role or position: **He spoke in his capacity as a teacher**, i.e. as a teacher, not as a private person. **Character**, **qualification** and **rank** are not used in this fixed phrase.

7. Teachers have learned to take shortages of textbooks and equipment in their _____.
✔ **D) stride**
To take something in your stride is an idiom meaning to deal calmly with a problem without letting it upset you: **She took the bad news in her stride.** The other words do not form this idiom.

8. Some people are against informality at lectures but, personally, I _____ the idea.
✔ **A) applaud**
To applaud an idea or decision means to praise or strongly approve of it (figurative use). **Cheer** and **clap** are only used literally for showing approval with sounds or hands, and **shout** has no meaning of approval.

9. My mother had to take private pupils in order to _____ her salary as a teacher.
✔ **A) augment**
To **augment** means to increase something, especially income, by adding to it: **She augmented her salary by giving private lessons. Expand** is used for size or business, not salary, and **inflate** means to make something bigger than it should be, often artificially.

10. Mr Horrid was a terrible teacher and obviously not _____ for teaching.
✔ **C) cut out**
To be cut out for something means to have the right qualities for a job or activity: **He's not cut out for teaching.** It is usually used in the negative. **Cut up** means upset, and **cut in** means to interrupt.

11. Mr Original _____ some unusual educational beliefs.
✔ **B) holds**
We **hold** beliefs, opinions or views: **She holds strong political views.** This is a fixed collocation. Not **keeps** or **carries**, which are not used with beliefs.

12. Our maths teacher applied for a year's _____ leave to write his PhD dissertation.
✔ **A) sabbatical**
Sabbatical leave (or **a sabbatical**) is a period of paid time off, often a year, given to teachers or university staff to study, research or write. **Satanic** means evil, and **superfluous** means unnecessary, so they make no sense here.