ANSWER KEY WITH EXPLANATIONS

Whereby and the Extent to Which Quiz: Formal Relatives

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Explanations

1. The company has introduced a scheme ___ employees can buy shares at a lower price.
✔ **B) whereby**
Whereby means by which, and it is used for systems, schemes and arrangements.

2. ___ extent do you agree with this statement?
✔ **C) To what**
The classic essay question is To what extent …?

3. Find the mistake: “I really don’t like the way how he talks to his staff.”
✔ **C) the way how**
Never say the way how. Use the way, the way that, the way in which, or just how.

4. Researchers are still unsure about the extent ___ diet affects memory.
✔ **B) to which**
The phrase is the extent to which: how much diet affects memory.

5. Choose the correct sentence.
✔ **C) Some people love big cities, whereas others prefer the countryside.**
Whereas shows contrast. Whereby means by which, so it does not fit here.

6. Find the mistake: “To what extend is tourism good for a country?”
✔ **B) extend**
Extent is the noun; extend is a verb. Say To what extent …

7. Water starts to boil at 100°C. That is the point ___ it turns into steam.
✔ **A) at which**
The point at which means when, or at what stage.

8. Which sentence has the same meaning as “I agree, but not completely”?
✔ **A) I agree to some extent.**
To some extent (or to a certain extent) means partly.

9. Prices rose ___ many families could no longer pay their bills.
✔ **D) to the extent that**
To the extent that can mean so much that: prices rose so much that families couldn’t pay.

10. Choose the most formal version.
✔ **A) the way in which children learn languages**
The way in which is the formal form. The way how and the way which are wrong.

11. Which sentence is best for formal writing?
✔ **D) The reason why the project failed is that it ran out of money.**
In formal writing use the reason (why) … is that. Is because is common in speech but marked down in essays.

12. The survey measured ___ people trust online news.
✔ **C) the degree to which**
The degree to which means how much or how far.

13. The flight may be delayed, ___ we will send you a text message.
✔ **B) in which case**
In which case means and if that happens.

14. Which sentence uses whereby correctly?
✔ **D) They signed an agreement whereby both sides would reduce their prices.**
Whereby fits agreements, systems and processes: an agreement by which both sides would act.

15. Which sentence has the same meaning as “It is not clear how much the new rules have helped”?
✔ **A) The extent to which the new rules have helped is not clear.**
The extent to which = how much. Note extent (noun), not extend.

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