Chapter 8

Pre-Assessment
The Word Up Project: Level Turquoise

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1. How do you know you're at the peak of a mountain?
   (A) It starts raining.
   (B) You can't go any higher.
   (C) You get a call from your friend.
   (D) You see the mountain high above you.

2. Where would you find lots of earth?
   (A) in the ground
   (B) in a house
   (C) in the water
   (D) at the top of a tree

3. If Mark doubts that he'll ever be able to get a dog, what is he thinking?
   (A) that he will get a dog soon
   (B) that he will be responsible for walking the dog
   (C) that he won't ever be allowed to get a dog
   (D) that he will get a cat

4. Which is an example of someone being greedy?
   (A) Ethan helped make food for homeless people.
   (B) Ethan wrote his grandma a letter.
   (C) Ethan played hide-and-seek with his little brother.
   (D) Ethan did not let his brother play with his toy cars.

5. It was hard for Maya to see the band because there was such a big crowd. Why couldn't Maya see the band?
   (A) because it was a foggy day
   (B) because she needed glasses
   (C) because there was a very big group of people
   (D) because they were very far away

6. A lifeguard needs to give all of his attention to the swimmers at the beach. What should he do?
   (A) listen to his favorite songs on his MP3 player
   (B) watch the swimmers through his binoculars
   (C) play a game on his computer
   (D) call a friend on his cell phone

7. What might you need the most if you were going on a march?
   (A) comfortable shoes
   (B) a baseball bat
   (C) long pants
   (D) knee pads

8. Why might cats and mice be called enemies?
   (A) because they both have four legs and a tail
   (B) because neither one lays eggs
   (C) because a cat likes to eat mice
   (D) because they are furry

9. Cody's lip was trembling as he waited for the nurse to stitch up the cut on his arm. What is happening to Cody's lip?
   (A) It is shaking.
   (B) It is dry.
   (C) It is bleeding.
   (D) It is cracked.

10. If you were having a feast, you would probably eat:
    (A) a bowl of soup
    (B) nothing
    (C) lots of food
    (D) a cracker

11. Ray says that breaking the picture frame was an accident. What does that mean?
    (A) He was hitting it with a hammer and trying to break it.
    (B) He made a mistake and didn't mean to break it.
    (C) He broke it because he didn't like the picture frame.
    (D) He hung the picture frame on the wall.

12. Keisha loves to travel. Which of these things would be a good present for her?
    (A) a plant
    (B) a video game
    (C) a plane ticket
    (D) a necklace
13. You might use an atlas if  
   (A) you had to do a hard math problem.  
   (B) you needed to look at a map of Africa.  
   (C) you were going to bake a cake.  
   (D) you wanted to learn more about dogs.

14. Which of these things might Gia feel guilty about?  
   (A) going to the doctor  
   (B) saying something mean and hurting someone’s feelings  
   (C) taking a big test  
   (D) getting a present for her friend

15. If Anna is worried about something, that means  
   (A) She is feeling very happy and is excited.  
   (B) She is very tired.  
   (C) She misses her friends.  
   (D) She is scared that something bad is going to happen

16. The kids had to guess how many gumballs were in the jar. There were 98. Which kid is only slightly wrong?  
   (A) Paul guessed that there were 96 gumballs in the jar.  
   (B) Claire guessed that there were 136 gumballs in the jar.  
   (C) Mayte guessed that there were 137 gumballs in the jar.  
   (D) Brett guessed that there were two gumballs in the jar.

17. Jake is nibbling on a cookie. What is he doing?  
   (A) He is taking big bites of the cookie.  
   (B) He is baking cookies.  
   (C) He is taking small bites of the cookie.  
   (D) He is licking the cream off the cookie.

18. There was a steady stream of water coming from the hose. What does that mean?  
   (A) The water was not coming out of the hose.  
   (B) The water coming out of the hose was very hot.  
   (C) The water was coming out of the hose without stopping.  
   (D) The water was coming out of the hose in short bursts.

19. Which of these days would be best to wear a shirt or dress with bare arms?  
   (A) a hot sunny day  
   (B) a cold day  
   (C) a snowy day  
   (D) during a hurricane

20. Adam’s teacher told him to discard the scraps of paper on his table. What was she telling him to do?  
   (A) make a card out of them  
   (B) throw them away  
   (C) color them in  
   (D) glue them together
Chapter 9

Post-Assessment

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Final Test

Choose the answer or phrase that best answers the question.

1. Carlos told his friends that he has a wealthy aunt. What is he telling his friends about his aunt?
   (A) She is very old.
   (B) She is funny.
   (C) She has a lot of kids.
   (D) She has a lot of money.

2. Mindy told Tricia a secret. After hearing it, Tricia said, “My lips are sealed.” What does she mean?
   (A) She couldn’t hear what Mindy said.
   (B) Her lips are closed and she won’t tell anyone.
   (C) Her lips are dry and she needs ChapStick.
   (D) Her lip hurts because she bit it.

3. Caroline noticed that there were nuts in the candy bar. What does that mean?
   (A) Caroline likes nuts.
   (B) Caroline is allergic to nuts.
   (C) Caroline did not want the candy.
   (D) Caroline saw nuts in the candy.

4. If your mom tells you to share the popcorn with your brother, you should
   (A) eat all the popcorn yourself
   (B) let your brother have some popcorn
   (C) make a movie with your brother
   (D) not eat any of the popcorn

5. The party was held in a field. Where did the party take place?
   (A) in a tall building
   (B) in a big open area
   (C) under lots of trees
   (D) in the parking lot

6. How do you know you’re at the peak of a mountain?
   (A) It starts raining.
   (B) You can’t go any higher.
   (C) You get a call from your friend.
   (D) You see the mountain high above you.

7. A pumpkin will float in a bucket of water. That means it will
   (A) stay on top of the water
   (B) sink to the bottom of the water
   (C) start to fall apart in the water
   (D) make the water change color

8. Adel’s mom said he could invite a dozen friends to his birthday party. How many friends can he invite?
   (A) 20
   (B) 12
   (C) 10
   (D) two

9. If Laqueesha wants to connect with her friends, what should she do?
   (A) yell at her friends
   (B) plug her TV into the wall
   (C) go to the park by herself
   (D) invite a group of friends over to her house

10. If you say someone is weak, you mean:
    (A) They are not strong.
    (B) They are very smart.
    (C) They are big.
    (D) They are young.
11. When Nora took the clothes out of the dryer, they were damp. What does that mean?
   (A) They were a little wet.
   (B) They were too small.
   (C) They smelled nice.
   (D) They were hot and dry.

12. Helen's mom has to go to work at dawn. What does that mean?
   (A) She goes to work when Helen comes home from school.
   (B) She goes to work around lunchtime.
   (C) She goes to work late at night when the sun goes down.
   (D) She goes to work early in the morning when the sun comes up.

13. Julie's mom asked her to clear the table. What should Julie do?
   (A) put the mail on the table
   (B) put plates on the table
   (C) sit down at the table
   (D) take everything off the table

14. Nikki clawed at the rash on her arm. What might Nikki be doing?
   (A) putting a Band-Aid on the rash
   (B) scratching the rash with her nails
   (C) washing the rash
   (D) putting lotion on her rash

15. Juan didn't mention what happened at school to his mom. What does that mean?
   (A) He didn't tell her what happened at school.
   (B) He didn't like what happened at school.
   (C) He didn't want to go to school.
   (D) He didn't go to school because he was sick.

16. Sarah says she wants to get a team together to work on the project. What does she mean?
   (A) She is going to do the project by herself.
   (B) She wants to find a place where she can work on the project.
   (C) She wants to find people to work with her on the project.
   (D) She needs to get a lot of materials from the store to do the project.

17. John is in the yard. Where is he?
   (A) outside his house
   (B) in his classroom
   (C) in the kitchen
   (D) in his bedroom

18. What part of your body allows you to chew?
   (A) your teeth
   (B) your nose
   (C) your ears
   (D) your eyes

19. Shelly was wondering what was in the box. What will she probably do?
   (A) ignore it
   (B) throw it in the garbage
   (C) look inside it
   (D) put it outside

20. Leo's little brother loves to bounce on the couch. That means he likes to
    (A) walk on it
    (B) sit on it
    (C) build a fort with the pillows
    (D) jump up and down on it