The Muffin Puzzle

Susie and her friends, Sam and Liza, staggered home, looking ragged, dirty and tired. School would reopen in a few days, and they were making sure not a single minute of the holidays got away. Their holidays were filled with games and fun. As they approached home the unmistakable aroma of Aunt Maggi’s chocolate muffins wafted around them, and made their mouths water. Susie rushed to the kitchen and started investigating for those perfect chocolate muffins. “Mother, did Aunt Maggi give muffins?” Susie asked her mother. Aunt Maggi always distributed generous amounts of muffins to all her neighbours. “Hmm, no dear. Why don’t you all have the mango milkshake that’s in the fridge,” said Susie’s mother. A few minutes later, they all had yellow milkshake moustaches. But Sam sighed. “I can’t stop thinking about Aunt Maggi’s chocolate muffins. Do you think she’ll give us some?” “She always does, just wait,” replied Susie. Running out of patience the trio decided to peep into Aunt Maggi’s house with the hope that if she spots them she might offer them some delicious muffins. No one seemed to be at home, but the fragrance of the muffins filled the air. “Where is Aunt Maggi?” Susie wondered.

Based on the above passage, choose the right options in questions :

01. In the beginning of the passage the children were ________.
   A. irritated       B. active        C. exhausted     D. happy

02. How did the kids know that Aunt Maggi was making muffins?
   A. Aunt Maggi offered them.       B. They recognised the aroma. 
   C. Mother informed them.          D. Aunt Maggi told them.

Questions 11-12 are based on the IMAGE given below:

03. The opposite of ‘dirty’ is__________.
   A. active       B. clean     C. firm     D. strong
04. Choose the synonym of ‘dirty’.
   A. bright
   B. hot
   C. messy
   D. dark

**Choose the correct word to complete the sentence given below:**

05. The sound of the drums ____________ far away in the forest was quite scary.
   A. howling
   B. running
   C. beating
   D. screaming

**Choose the correct word to complete the sentence:**

06. You should ask your teacher for some ____________ about this problem.
   A. advice
   B. idea
   C. opinion
   D. remark

**Choose the correct preposition that best fits each sentence:**

The chameleon is a relative ___21___ the lizard. It can be found ___22___ Africa and Madagascar. The chameleon can remain very still on a branch ___23___ hours. As a result, when it is hunting, its prey will not even know it is there.

07. A. to   B. from   C. of   D. by
08. A. from   B. at   C. on   D. in
09. A. in   B. for   C. on   D. with

**Choose the correct word or phrase to complete each sentence:**

10. ________David _______ John have gone to the cinema. They both are at school.
    A. Either, or   B. Not, nor   C. Neither, nor   D. Either, nor

11. They like to do everything all by__________________.
    A. themselves   B. myself   C. their own   D. alone

**Questions 36 - 37 are based on the IMAGES given below:**
12. Identify the proverb which the image depicts.

   A. Apple a doctor away.
   B. Doctors eat an apple a day.
   C. An apple a day keeps the doctor away.
   D. A doctor is better than eating apple.

13. Image depicts the idiom ‘cry crocodile tears’ which means________.

   IMAGE

   A. to pretend to be upset.
   B. bit by crocodile.
   C. to be like a crocodile.
   D. to cry in happiness.

14. What does ‘fast as lightning’ mean?

   A. To be funny  B. To be correct  C. To be fast  D. To be dangerous

**Complete the story in 75-100 words:**

15. Imagine you are playing your favourite game on the computer. You are in the last level of the game and are about to kill the evil wizard so that you can move to the next level. Suddenly the screen starts to flicker and you get sucked into the computer. Now you are in the wizard’s chamber, actually inside the GAME! Describe what happens next.

   *(Complete the story in the space provided in the answer sheet)*

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