False Friends Exercise

Fill the gaps by choosing the most appropriate answer in brackets.

1. Did you know that Chrissie got .................................. (embarrassed/pregnant) on holiday in Ibiza?
2. The .................................. (signature/subject) I hate most is maths.
3. Begonia is a very ............................... (kind/sympathetic) person.
4. Keep .................................. (removing/stirring) the soup the whole time.
5. I couldn’t agree more. That's a very ............................... (sensible/sensitive) idea.
6. The film *The Quiet American* was a box-office ............................... (exit/success).
7. How many ............................... (idioms/languages) can you speak?
8. ............................... (Actually/Nowadays) I'm living with my parents again.
10. The police came to my ............................... (assistance/attendance).
11. I've got ............................... (a cold/constipation). Pass me a tissue, please.
12. I was only living with my parents ............................... (eventually/temporarily).
13. The government have ............................... (inverted/invested) a lot of money in the new scheme.
14. Do not ............................... (invert/invest) this package.
15. The Englishman wearing navy blue socks with sandals is a bit of a ............................... (stereotype/topic) in Spain.
16. He never stops moving some part of his body. He finds it impossible to ............................... (keep quiet/keep still).
17. We didn't enjoy the wedding ............................... (absolutely/at all).
18. English is very ............................... (important/interesting) for my job.
19. All my immediate family live in England but I have a lot of ............................... (parents/relatives) in Canada.
20. My ............................... (journey/working day) is from 8 am to 5 pm but it only takes me twenty minutes to get to the office.
21. The Red Cross are ............................... (controlling/monitoring) the situation in the north very closely.
22. The rebels are ............................... (controlling/monitoring) the entire north of the country.
23. ............................... (Eventually/Temporarily), we decided to go on holiday rather than buy a plasma TV.
Answers

1. Did you know that Chrissie got pregnant on holiday in Ibiza?
2. The subject I hate most is maths.
3. Begonia is a very kind person.
4. Keep stirring the soup the whole time.
5. I couldn't agree more. That's a very sensible idea.
6. The film *The Quiet American* was a box-office success.
7. How many languages can you speak?
8. Nowadays I'm living with my parents again.
10. The police came to my assistance.
11. I've got a cold. Pass me a tissue, please.
12. I was only living with my parents temporarily.
13. The government have invested a lot of money in the new scheme.
14. Do not invert this package.
15. The Englishman wearing navy blue socks with sandals is a bit of a stereotype in Spain.
16. He never stops moving some part of his body. He finds it impossible to keep still.
17. We didn't enjoy the wedding at all.
18. English is very important for my job.
19. All my immediate family live in England but I have a lot of relatives in Canada.
20. My working day is from 8 am to 5 pm but it only take me twenty minutes to get to the office.
21. The Red Cross are monitoring the situation in the north very closely.
22. The rebels are controlling the entire north of the country.
23. Eventually, we decided to go on holiday rather than buy plasma TV.