Food Idioms.

Task 1. The expressions in bold, which all use words connected with food, have been put into the wrong sentences below. Use your dictionary to help you rearrange them.

1. The exam was so easy! It was a **butter-fingers**.

2. I don't like horror films; they're **bananas**.

3. I don't get paid very much in my new job. In fact, my boss pays me **sour grapes**.

4. Jane is really angry with her boyfriend. As far as she's concerned, he's not **warm as toast**.

5. I've just seen the boss and he looks really angry. I think there's a **different kettle of fish**.

6. She became very embarrassed and her face turned **cool as a cucumber**.

7. Mr Lewis is a wonderful man. He's as **different as chalk and cheese**.

8. You're mad, crazy, completely **not my cup of tea**!

9. I'm always dropping things and breaking them. I'm such **a piece of cake**.

10. Although Joe and Brian are brothers, they're completely different. They're **the salt of the earth**.

11. The bank robbers were **packed together like sardines** when the police questioned them, and told them everything they knew about the robbery.

12. I'm not at all cold. In fact, I'm **the flavour of the month**.

13. Andy is always calm and relaxed. He never panics. He's **as red as a beetroot**.

14. Steven didn't congratulate me when I got the job. It was probably **peanuts**.

15. It was so crowded on the train we **spilled the beans**.

16. I don't mind you borrowing my umbrella without asking, but to borrow my car? That's **trouble brewing**.

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Task 2. Insert the words from above into the most appropriate sentences below.

Apple Beer Biscuit Butter Cake Chips Chocolate Eggs Fat Milk Mustard Pear Pie Potato Punch Salt Sausage Tea Water

1) I'm going to have to eat humble _____ and tell them I was wrong. *(To apologize in humiliating circumstances)*

2) When her son left home she was very sad. He was always the _____ of her eye. *(Loved very much)*

3) After dinner, my grandfather and Uncle Bob sat on the porch and chewed the _____ for a while. *(Chatted)*

4) I bought this PC a week ago but I'm thinking of taking it back to the shop. It just doesn't cut the _____. *(Doesn't meet the required standard)*

5) We have spent all of our money. When I checked the bank account there wasn't a _____. *(Nothing left)*

6) Tracy is trying to _____ up her father because she wants to go to the concert on Friday. *(Be very nice to)*

7) The subject of immigration is always a hot _____ in politics. *(Controversial)*

8) That holiday was as cheap as _____. *(Very economical)*

9) The project has gone _____-shaped and we need to start again. (*Not go according to plan)*

10) It's better to take what he says with a pinch of _____. He's not the most honest man in the world and if he does tell you the truth, he normally exaggerates everything out of all proportion. *(Be skeptical, not believe it all)*

11) The exam was a piece of _____. I don't think anybody failed. *(Very easy)*

12) I've lost my wallet I'm afraid but there's no use in crying over spilt _____. I'll cancel my bank cards and wait until they send me some new ones before I go for a night out or buy anything. *(Not get upset)*

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13) When he took my girlfriend away from me I didn't mind. When he got promoted before me it wasn't a problem. What really took the _____ was when he borrowed my Lady Gaga CD and didn't give it back! *(He crossed the line and it was too much to take)*

14) This PC I bought is no good whatsoever. It takes forever to connect to the internet and the hard disk is only 250MB. It's as useful as a _____ teapot. *(Completely useless)*

15) We need to expand the business and stop relying so much on the tourists to make our money. We shouldn't put all of our _____ in one basket. *(Depend too much on one thing)*

16) She was as pleased as _____ when we told her we were going to get married. *(Very happy)*

17) Football isn't really my cup of _____. I prefer to watch motor racing. *(Not the preferred choice)*

18) I need to start going to the gym. I'm starting to get a bit of a _____ belly. *(Getting fat around the middle)*

19) All this talk about food is making my mouth _____. *(Making me very hungry)*

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