Word Riddles

Choose one answer per question. Circle A, B, C, or D.

1. I slip into your novel when you put it down. Tomorrow I’ll point to the page where you stopped. What am I?
   A. Bookmark
   B. Book jacket
   C. Title page
   D. Library card

2. On a door you can take hold of me. On a message board, I’m the name people know you by. What am I?
   A. Profile
   B. Hinge
   C. Handle
   D. Key

3. Beside a river I might be muddy. On Main Street I might look after your savings. What am I?
   A. Bridge
   B. Bank
   C. Safe
   D. Counter

4. A letter might reach you with me unbroken. At the coast you might watch me swim. What am I?
   A. Float
   B. Stamp
   C. Shell
   D. Seal

5. You can tighten me with a wrench. Use me as a verb and I describe a rabbit rushing away. What am I?
   A. Clamp
   B. Bolt
   C. Spring
   D. Latch

6. In a marsh I wade on two long legs. At a construction site I lift loads with a long arm. What am I?

A. Crane
B. Heron
C. Forklift
D. Stork

7. One of me might raise a hand in class. Another lets light into your eye. What am I?

A. Monitor
B. Lid
C. Lens
D. Pupil

8. You might circle one of me on a calendar and stir another into a bowl of oats. What am I?

A. Raisin
B. Number
C. Date
D. Reminder

9. I might issue orders for a whole kingdom or help you mark exactly ten centimeters. What am I?

A. Ruler
B. Crown
C. Compass
D. Marker

10. A singer can raise me to reach a higher note, a founder can give me to investors, and a baseball catcher waits for me. What am I?

A. Throw
B. Delivery
C. Call
D. Pitch

11. I could cast shade on a sidewalk. I could also hold up a small bowl while your fingers wrap around it. What am I?

A. Grip
B. Branch
C. Palm
D. Trunk

12. Put one letter in front of OAR and the new word names a wild pig. Which letter goes first?

A. R
B. B
C. S
D. H

13. I’m a vessel for cooking soup. Read my three letters backward and I name the highest part of something. Which word am I before the reversal?

A. CUP
B. PAN
C. TIN
D. POT

14. Keep P at the start of PLATE and rearrange the other four letters to name a pressed fold in fabric. Which word do you get?

A. PLEAT
B. PETAL
C. PALETTE
D. PLANT

15. REPAID has six different letters. Which answer uses those six exactly once and means ‘put together in twos’?

A. DIAPER
B. REPAIR
C. PAIRED
D. RAPIDS