SLEP Sample Questions

PART A: There will be two different types of questions. The first type will ask you to listen as the tape repeats four sentences. You will be asked to match the correct sentence to the picture. The second type of question is illustrated below. You will be asked to read and match one of the sentences with the picture.

1. 

   ![Picture 1]

   a. To get to my house, turn right at the stop sign.
   b. To get to my house, turn left at the T.
   c. To get to my house, turn right at the arrow.
   d. To get to my house, go straight.

2. 

   ![Picture 2]

   a. The students are reading a book.
   b. The students are laughing.
   c. The students are studying the computer.
   d. The women are singing.
PART B: Match a printed sentence with one of the drawings.

1. My house is next to a big tree at the bottom of a hill.

   A  B  C  D

PART C: Complete passages by selecting the appropriate words from among the four choices.

1. Jane Brown
   A. is married for 12 years. She has
   B. got
   C. has
   D. has been

2. three children and lives in a suburb
   A. from Columbus,
   B. outside
   C. about
   D. belong

3. Ohio.
   A. When Jane’s youngest child reached
   B. Although
   C. If
   D. Why

4. school age, Jane decided
   A. to gone back to work.
   B. going
   C. go
   D. to go

5. Ethnic restaurants and markets are
   A. commonplace in the
   B. current
   C. obscure
   D. traditional

6. U.S.
   A. Although the U.S. is a country of immigrants.
   B. If
   C. Even
   D. Because
7. there is immense  
   A. variety.  
   B. difference.  
   C. people.  
   D. various.

8. There are regions which are well known for  
   A. certain  
   B. any  
   C. that  
   D. tradition  
   food because of the people who settled there.

9. What does immense in line seven mean:  
   A. thick  
   B. great  
   C. small  
   D. different

PART D: Refer to the map. Streets and buildings on the map are labeled, and there are four cars marked A, B, C and D. The student must choose the one car that is the source of a brief conversation.

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“I think I’ll go to the museum. I’ll have to travel west on Pike Avenue and take a left onto Salmon Street. Maybe I can park in front of the building.”

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“Which car is the person driving?”
PART E: In this section you will read a short passage and answer questions about it.

Sheila was a big, content dog. She became a member of our family when she was eleven weeks old. As a young pup, she would romp, play and make typical, puppy mistakes. One such mistake was when Sheila chewed my Dad’s new shoes. Naturally, Dad was angry but he understood that Sheila would not understand his anger. He knew that all dogs chew on things to strengthen their teeth and jaws. To stop Sheila from chewing on things that we did not want damaged, she was given her own chew toys. Dad never punished her but rather corrected her behavior. As a result, Sheila grew to like Dad and became a real joy to our family.

1. Who was Sheila?
   a. The neighbor
   b. The family dog
   c. The minister
   d. The teacher

2. What made father angry?
   a. He did not want the puppy.
   b. He hated shoes.
   c. His new shoes were ruined.
   d. He was not the dog’s best friend.

3. How did father correct the puppy’s behavior?
   a. He kicked the dog.
   b. He yelled at the dog.
   c. He gave Sheila special toys to chew.
   d. He gave her away.

ANSWERS:
PART A: 1.C, 2.C
PART B: 1. A
PART D: 1.D