

Families, Schools, and Communities: Building Partnerships for Educating Children, 7e
(Scully)

Chapter 2 Viewing Family Diversity

- 1) Which of the following statements regarding changes in family patterns is *false*?
- A) The single parent family is becoming a less common family grouping in the U.S. today.
 - B) The nuclear family is becoming less predominant today.
 - C) Some children live in institutions that serve as family substitutes.
 - D) Extended families are increasing in number today.

Answer: A

- 2) When a parent with children remarries a single adult to produce a stepfamily for the new partner, the new family is termed
- A) a nuclear family.
 - B) a blended family.
 - C) an adoptive family.
 - D) a sub-family.

Answer: B

- 3) The term "underclass" is used to describe individuals and families who are
- A) unskilled working people.
 - B) affluent and hardworking people.
 - C) people locked in a cycle of poverty.
 - D) minorities and/or immigrants.

Answer: C

- 4) Which of the following conditions is *least* likely to be present in a homeless family?
- A) Scheduled health checkups for children
 - B) Erratic income and cash flow problems
 - C) Substandard housing
 - D) Frequent moves

Answer: A

- 5) Which of the following statements is *false*?
- A) Military deployment can change the way a family functions.
 - B) "Doubling-up" often creates subfamilies.
 - C) Single parent families are equally common in all ethnic groups.
 - D) Federal guidelines encourage social service agencies to seek kinship care for children needing foster care.

Answer: C

- 6) Families of children with school-identified disabilities
- A) have fewer responsibilities when it comes to educating their child.
 - B) often had access to adequate pre-natal care.
 - C) need more access to and communication with teachers.
 - D) are affected by lack of health care and poverty.

Answer: C

- 7) Which of the following is *not* a feature of children described as English Language Learners?

- A) They benefit from immersion programs in school.
- B) They need linguistic assistance in school.
- C) They are less capable than majority culture peers.
- D) They often need additional help in math and reading.

Answer: C

- 8) Which statement about children in foster care is *false*?
- A) The majority of foster children are children of color.
 - B) Placement in kinship care is common and encouraged.
 - C) The majority of foster children are eventually adopted.
 - D) Families providing foster care receive compensation.

Answer: C

- 9) The most accurate information on national trends in the lives of children is

- A) blogs about education.
- B) articles posted on social media.
- C) documentaries.
- D) publications from the U.S. Census.

Answer: D

- 10) The legislation that protects the educational rights of homeless students is called

- A) the McKinley-Vento Homeless Assistance Act.
- B) the Individuals with Disabilities Education Improvement Act.
- C) the free Appropriate Education Act.
- D) the Family Rights and Privacy Act.

Answer: A

- 11) A thriving father with two biracial children living together by themselves would best be described as

- A) a nuclear family.
- B) a single parent family.
- C) a subfamily.
- D) an extended family.

Answer: B

- 12) If you have Muslim, Roman Catholic, Protestant and Jewish children in your classroom, the best way to promote your curriculum is to

- A) ignore all references to religion.
- B) maintain a completely secular attitude.
- C) celebrate all religious holidays enthusiastically.
- D) invite families to explain their special holiday foods and religious observance.

Answer: D

- 13) Discuss three advantages for teachers when they support, value and interact with different family groups in their school.

- 14) List four ways that early childhood educators can support children raised in families with a different language background than English.

- 15) Describe how a child could actually find himself/herself in three different family groups

over a five year period?

16) Discuss the value of a bulletin board featuring family photos of all children in your 2nd grade class.

17) Explain why the term "ethnic orientation" can be a more suitable label in your classroom than "race."

18) Describe the specific challenges that a temporarily homeless family of four could find in arranging schooling for their 2nd and 3rd graders.