

ASL 102: Lesson 1 - Talking About Your Family
Deaf Culture: Guided Reading

MULTIPLE CHOICE. Select the best answer for each statement or question below.

- 1) There are national organizations whose members consist mainly of deaf people who prefer to use _____ to communicate.
 - a) fingerspelling
 - b) writing
 - c) speech
 - d) texting
- 2) When do children (who have fluent ASL signing parents) learn to sign?
 - a) as soon as they can talk
 - b) at 1 year of age
 - c) from birth
 - d) in kindergarten
- 3) What are many hearing parents of deaf children learning to do now that there is an increased awareness of the value of ASL?
 - a) be political
 - b) speak louder
 - c) send children to deaf schools
 - d) sign
- 4) In a public school Deaf program, how many classes for deaf students are typically taught by teachers of Deaf children.
 - a) none
 - b) one
 - c) one or more
 - d) all
- 5) According to the reading, why do some adults take a course (such as this one) to learn ASL?
 - a) they are interested in learning ASL
 - b) they lose their hearing as adults
 - c) they want to learn a foreign language
 - d) they like signing
- 6) Another option for learning how to sign from fluent ASL signers is to _____.
 - a) watch Deaf programs
 - b) take an ASL course
 - c) watch movies with Closed Captioning
 - d) get involved in the Deaf community

TRUE/FALSE. Select the best answer to each question or statement below.

- 7) All parents of Deaf children learn to sign.
 - a) True
 - b) False

- 8) All parents who learn ASL to sign with their deaf children become fluent signers.
- a) True
 - b) False
- 9) In a School for the Deaf, all teachers and staff personnel use sign language to communicate.
- a) True
 - b) False
- 10) All public school programs for deaf children use ASL.
- a) True
 - b) False
- 11) Enrolling in a public school programs might be the first time that a deaf child sees ASL used.
- a) True
 - b) False
- 12) Once deaf students are exposed to ASL, they tend to pick it up quickly because it makes communicating so much easier for them.
- a) True
 - b) False
- 13) In a public school program usually only those who are directly associated with the Deaf Education program can sign.
- a) True
 - b) False
- 14) Very few public schools are teaching ASL to the hearing students, too.
- a) True
 - b) False
- 15) Some deaf people do not learn to sign until they are adults.
- a) True
 - b) False

Short Answer. Answer each question in the space provided.

- 16) Name the major difference between a School for the Deaf and a public school program for deaf students.
[2 points]

17) Name one of the five ways Deaf persons learn how to sign. [3 points]
