

Sample Study Guide

Sub Area: Developing English Language Skills

0007: Understand methods and techniques for developing the listening skills of ESL students

1. Some common vowel patterns are associated with more than one pronunciation, e.g., steam and bread. Which of the following nonsense words illustrates a vowel pattern that is highly consistent in pronunciation. (CSET study guide)

- A. Stook
- B. Troan
- C. Spow
- D. Mough

2. In a first-grade ELL class the teacher makes extensive use of rhymes and alliteration. Is she enhancing the children's: (CSET)

- A. Reading skills
- B. Playfulness
- C. Phonemic awareness
- D. Visual awareness

3. A first-grade ELL teacher asks the students, "How many sounds do you hear in 'cat'?" Is she encouraging them to: (CSET)

- A. Visualize a cat
- B. Define the meaning of the word cat
- C. Count phonemes
- D. Point to a picture of a cat

4. Phonemic awareness has been identified by replicated studies in many countries as a potent predictor of: (CSET)

- A. Highly developed writing skills
- B. Failure to spell well
- C. Good auditory skills
- D. Success in reading and spelling

5. A young English learner is having difficulty hearing and manipulating the sounds in spoken words when the teacher reads aloud. He is finding it hard to map the sounds he hears to letters and letter patterns he sees. He needs help with developing his: (CSET)

I. Attention span extension

II. Points of articulation

III. Phonemic awareness

IV. Decoding skills.

- A. I and III
- B. III and IV
- C. II and III
- D. I and IV

6. There are several basic processes at work in listening. The listener is not usually conscious of performing these steps, nor of switching back and forth between them. Some of these processes happen when:

1. the listener attempts to organize the information by identifying the type of speech event
2. recalls background information to help interpret the message
3. assigns a meaning to the message based on incoming data
4. determines the information to be held in long term memory

Which one of these is:

- a). top-down processing
- b). bottom-up processing