ESL 285A/B High Beginning Reading & Writing Property of Laney ESL Department

Barack Obama, Chapter 6 Review

Decide if these sentences are “true” or “false” according to chapter 6 of *Barack Obama*. Then support your answer using facts from the book.

\_\_\_\_\_ 1. Obama decided by himself to campaign for president. He didn’t ask for anyone’s

opinion. *Support: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_*

\_\_\_\_\_ 2. During the campaign, Obama got a lot of volunteer help from young people.

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\_\_\_\_\_ 3. Obama and his wife have the same type of personality.

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\_\_\_\_\_ 4. Michelle grew up in a rich family.

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\_\_\_\_\_ 5. Michelle helped Obama with his campaign by teaching him how to speak to normal

people. *Support: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_*

\_\_\_\_\_ 6. In the presidential election of 2008, the most important problem for voters was

education. *Support: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_*

\_\_\_\_\_ 7. Obama won the election because big, important states voted for him.

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\_\_\_\_\_\_8. African-American children were sad when Obama won the election.

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II. Discuss these **personal connection** questions with a group of your classmates.

1. When you have to make a big decision, like Obama did when he decided to run for president, do you decide by yourself or do you ask for other people’s advice and opinions? Give an example.

2. Many young people worked for the Obama campaign for no money. Have you ever done volunteer work before? What kind?

3. Have you ever voted in your country or in the United States? If you have, how did you feel after you voted? Did the candidate you voted for win the election? If you have never voted before, would you like to? Why?

III. Read these sentences from chapter 6. Decide if they are **simple, compound** or **complex sentences.** Hint: check the subjects, verbs and connecting words (conjunctions).

1. When Obama went back to Washington in January, he met with his political organizers.

2. I want to win, but I don’t only want to win.

3. Young people and college students from across the country made telephone calls to voters.

4. Obama’s campaign was also different because he did not say bad things about Clinton or the

Republicans.

5. Obama’s early life in beautiful Hawaii with his young, intelligent mother taught him important

lessons about a quiet, disciplined life.

6. Michelle wanted her husband to win in the important states, so she gave a lot of her time to

the campaign.

IV. Finish these sentences with your own ideas.

1. I liked/didn’t like this book because \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

2. I liked this book, but \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

3. Before I read this book, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

4. After I read this book, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

5. This book was easy/difficult for me because \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

6. I like/don’t like to read in English, so \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.