Teacher Answer Key

Case Study

1. A pediatrician sees a child for a few minutes a few times a year, while a provider sees them roughly forty hours a week across many situations. That volume is what let Denise notice a pattern over months, including a skill plateau and a specific response to sound.

2. Under IDEA Part C, services are delivered where the child actually lives and learns, because a young child generalizes skills best in familiar settings and routines. It also lets the therapist coach the adults who are with Eli the rest of the week.

Multiple Choice

1. C

2. D

3. B

Matching

1-D, 2-C, 3-E, 4-B, 5-A

Fill-in-the-Blank

1) IFSP, 2) IEP, 3) Respite

Short Answer (Sample Responses)

Q1: The first three years bring the fastest brain growth and the greatest plasticity, so the same support produces larger and longer-lasting gains than it would later. Waiting means spending the most adaptable window without help.

Q2: Siblings often take on adult responsibility early and can feel invisible beside a child who needs more time and attention. Protected one-on-one time and sibling groups give them a place to say hard things without feeling guilty about it.

Q3: An IEP provides specialized instruction plus services and goals for a student who needs teaching delivered differently. A 504 plan provides accommodations only, for a child whose disability limits a major life activity but who does not need specialized instruction.