1. A  "We the people, in order to form a more perfect union."

2. C  working together to move beyond some old racial wounds

3. B  "For the African-American community, that path means embracing the burdens of our past without becoming victims of our past. It means continuing to insist on a full measure of justice in every aspect of American life...In the white community, the path to a more perfect union means acknowledging that what ails the African-American community does not just exist in the minds of black people; that the legacy of discrimination--and current incidents of discrimination, while less overt than in the past--are real and must be addressed. Not just with words, but with deeds--by investing in our schools and our communities; by enforcing our civil rights laws and ensuring fairness in our criminal justice system; by providing this generation with ladders of opportunity that were unavailable for previous generations."

4. A  to encourage listeners to follow the example set by Ashley and the man of working together to stop racial discrimination in society

5. D  We must work together in order to solve the challenges of the time and build a better future for the country.

6. C  to remind listeners that the ideal of equal citizenship under the law is at the very core of the country

7. B  Although

8. Suggested answer: Reverend Wright's sermons spoke of society as if it was static, as if no progress had been made, as if the country was still irrevocably bound to a tragic past.
9. **Suggested answer:** Answers may vary but should be supported by the text. For example:

   Obama told listeners that they had a choice in order to encourage them to make the choice and take action towards building a better America for all citizens.

10. **Suggested answer:** Answers may vary but should be supported by the text. For example:

    Obama uses a number of methods to persuade listeners to stop racial discrimination. First, he quotes from the Constitution, reminding listeners that the ideal of equal citizenship under the law is at the very core of the country. Obama addresses racist sermons made by Reverend Wright and notes his misunderstanding that racial discrimination in society is unchangeable. Obama speaks to the African American and white communities directly, urging them to take steps such as insisting on a full measure of justice in every aspect of American life and investing in the health, welfare, and education for all children. Finally, Obama includes an emotional story about Ashley and an elderly black man in order to provide an example of how people can come together in order to stop racial discrimination in society.