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Political socialization is a way to learn about the politics of the country. It is a poltical learng through which citizens develop attitudes, standards, opinions, approaches and manners that are essential for becoming a good citizen. In this regard family has to play a greater role in developing political awareness among their children. Likewise, the political regimes view family in various ways, their support and development of family also varied (Magstadt, 2017, p.299).

Q1. Ans.

My family also has a stronger influence on my political learning at very young age. I remember the time, when Barack Obama was the president of the United States. My parents told me that he was the first African American President of the United States. Although, it is hard to remember about the elections, my mom told me that she voted for the right person. Upon asking, both of my parents informed me about voting and elections. They said that it is the responsibility of every citizen to participate in elections through votes. Both of my parents were supporters of Democratic party.

Q2. Ans:

It was my family that influenced me to develop interests in politics and they convince me that Democratic party is the right party that can run the government of the United States. I belonged to a middle class family that was more interested in political affairs of the United States. As per the textbook, middle and upper-class kids have more interests in politics in comparision to lower class families (Magstadt, 2017, p.300). My mother told me that everyone has a chance to become the president if he or she works hard.

Q3. Ans. When I was 10 years old I was aware of the difference between country and state. I had memorized all the states of the country. I used to sit with my parents to watch the news in television. I remember the glimpses of war in Afghanistan. Moreover, I used to talk with my family over political discussion and I would carefully listen to their political debates. Children are politically socialized through family, media, school and friends (Greenberg, 2017). However, with the age I learned more about politics.

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