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$$\frac{\langle e, \rho, \sigma \rangle \Downarrow \langle v, \sigma' \rangle}{\langle \text{VAL}(x, e), \rho, \sigma \rangle \rightarrow \langle \rho, \sigma \{ \rho(x) \mapsto v \} \rangle} \text{ (DefineGlobal)}$$

whether $x \in \text{dom } \rho$ or $x \notin \text{dom } \rho$ doesn't matter, defines a new x in ρ

b) (Val x 10)
 (Val f (lambda () x))
 (Val x 5)
 (if (= (f) 5)
 'scheme-semantics
 'new-semantics)

This first binds x to 10.
 Then creates a lambda which depends on the "most relevant" value of x . It then (re) binds x to a different value. If uses scheme semantics, the binding of x has changed, and the function will no longer access the original x value of 10. If using new semantics, the original x value is only covered up, but is still the "most relevant" value at the time of function declaration, so it will return 10.

c) I prefer the scheme semantics, because the idea of having multiple values all bound to the name x , and which value is chosen depends on where you are in the program. I would much prefer to declare different variable names and have each one with a concrete value.