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PART I LINGUISTICS(75 points)

1. *Complete the following statements. Put your expressions on your ANSWER SHEET. (10 points)*

- 1) In linguistic researches, four scientific principles should be observed. They are _____, _____, _____, and _____.
- 2) The different parts of the vocal organs involved in the production of consonants are known as _____; and the degrees of obstructions, complete, partial, or a mere narrowing, are known as _____.
- 3) Some morphemic shapes represent different _____ and thus have different meanings.
- 4) The syntactic constructions are of two main types: _____ and _____ constructions, depending on their distribution and the relation between their constituents.
- 5) _____ is based on the presumption that one can derive meaning from or reduce it to observable context.

2. *Decide whether each of the following statements is true(T) or false(F). Put T or F on your ANSWER SHEET. (10 points)*

- 1) Language, in essence, is arbitrary.
- 2) Language is productive in the sense that users can understand and produce sentences they have heard before.
- 3) Speech is considered as the primary medium of language.
- 4) Langue is a form of "knowing" while linguistic potential is a set of possibilities for "doing".
- 5) Sounds in free variation should be assigned to different phonemes.
- 6) Word-formation can be further subclassified into the inflectional type and the derivational type.

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- 7) Phrase is a single element of structure containing more than one word, and lacking the subject-predicate structure typical of clauses.
- 8) Echo questions are used when you have failed to hear something completely or cannot believe what you have heard.
- 9) A metaphor is an extension in the use of a word within its primary meaning to describe referents that bear similarities to the word's primary referent.
- 10) Pidgin refers to a contact language that develops where groups are in a dominant or subordinate situation, often in the context of colonization.

3. Define the following terms and put your definitions on your ANSWER SHEET. (10 points)

- 1) phonetic transcription
- 2) lexical word
- 3) the phatic function
- 4) speech event
- 5) register

4. Solve the following problems and put your solutions on your ANSWER SHEET. (20 points)

1) Describe the phonetic characteristics of the four segments of the word "sand", following the model: [ʃ]: voiceless, labiodental, fricative

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| (1) [s] | (2) [æ] |
| (3) [n] | (4) [d] |

2) Divide the following words into roots, inflectional affixes and/or derivational affixes.

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| (1) updated | (2) repaints |
| (3) disenchantment | (4) teeth |

3) Disambiguate the following sentence by bracketing it in different ways.

- (1) He sold the car to his brother in New York.

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The Child is father of the Man;
And I could wish my days to be
Bound each to each by natural peity.