

# 中原大學 97 學年度碩士班入學考試

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1. Please define or explain the following terms briefly: (10%)

- a. lexical ambiguity
- b. marked vs. unmarked

2. It has been observed that, as regards foreign language learning, most Chinese or Taiwanese students will depend more on the written textbooks rather than on the auditory materials such as tapes, CDs, or DVDs. It is proposed that, in spite of the individual teaching mode of teachers, such a learning habit has its base on the learning process of their native Chinese logography since learning Chinese characters needs more visual (pictorial) memories than auditory (phonetic) ones, which has been further applied to the foreign language learning. Do you agree with this explanation? Give your reasons. (10%)

3. What is the main task of Contrastive Linguistics? What can it contribute to foreign language learning? (10%)

4. Analyze the meaning of the following sentence in terms of the thematic roles of its components. (10%)

*“ I was informed that John, the brother of my best friend Thomas, had taken the United Air to Los Angeles from Tokyo a week ago and was going to marry my little sister next week.”*

5. Please explain the following terms (20%):

- a. word superiority effect
- b. Zipf's law
- c. voice onset time
- d. parsing
- e. immediacy principle

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6. Please explain the term “holophrase” and give an example of it! Explain what “holophrase” represents in children’s language development? (10%)
7. Please define the following terms (20%):
- diglossia
  - borrowing
  - language shift
  - social network
8. A sign indicating the phrase “Baby in Car” (as the figure shown below) is quite common in Taiwan. It is usually placed in the back window of a car to deter the tailgating.



- In many English-speaking communities, the phrase in the sign is “Baby on Board” instead of “Baby in Car”. Why, do you think, was “Baby on Board” modified as “Baby in Car” in Taiwan? (5%)
- Grammatically, the phrase “Baby in Car” should be expressed as “Baby in the Car” to properly indicating the meaning. Why, do you think, the article “the” was removed from the sign? (5%)