

考試科目	語言學概論	系所別	英國語文學系 英語教學組	考試時間	2 月 7 日(五) 第四節
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請將所有答案寫在答案卷上。

I. Short Answers: (20%)

1. Give examples to illustrate the differences between an argument and an adjunct. (5%)
2. What is a natural class of sounds? Give examples. (5%)
3. What is an indirect speech act? Give examples. (5%)
4. Give examples to illustrate the differences between semantic extensions and semantic reductions. (5%)

II. Essay Questions: (80%)

1. What are the factors that could lead to language change? Is language change bad? Why or why not? (15%)

2. Consider the following statement and explain why this is a misconception. (10%)

Every language consists of one "correct" dialect from which all other "inferior" or "substandard" dialects depart.

3. **A negative prefix in English:** Consider the following English words, each of which includes a prefix spelled *in-* or *im-*:

<i>inanimate</i>	<i>imbalance</i>	<i>indecisive</i>	<i>infamous</i>
<i>indignity</i>	<i>ineligible</i>	<i>invalid</i>	<i>impossible</i>
<i>inordinate</i>	<i>impartial</i>	<i>impractical</i>	<i>insufferable</i>

- (1) What determines for each of the adjectives or noun roots whether the negative prefix is *im-* or *in-*? (4%)

- (2) Now consider the following words. What two different pronunciations of the negative prefix occur in these words? What accounts for the variant pronunciations? (4%)

<i>incomplete</i>	<i>inconclusive</i>	<i>inconsistency</i>	<i>inconvenient</i>
<i>incoherent</i>	<i>ingratitude</i>	<i>inconsiderate</i>	<i>incompetence</i>

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<p>(3) For each of the following words, write its negative form: (6%)</p> <p><i>legible</i> <i>legitimate</i> <i>resistible</i> <i>literate</i> <i>regular</i> <i>rational</i></p> <p>(4) State the generalizations about the distribution of the allomorphs of this negative prefix. (6%)</p> <p>4. Consider the following passage. If a student asks you to explain why in one instance <i>several</i> is followed by <i>of</i> and in another instance it isn't, how would you explain? (15%)</p> <p><i>The Chinese have given a pair of pandas to the Bronx Zoo. They have had several offspring. Several of the offspring have been sent to other zoos around the country.</i></p> <p>5. Consider the following sentences from (A) to (E) produced by some EFL students.</p> <p>(1) Correct the sentences. Then, explain how you will make the students aware of the errors. (15%)</p> <p>(A) *The girl whom is walking toward us is my sister. (B) *The man who John hit him is on the ground. (C) *The student sits next to Jane is sick. (D) *That Mary is wrapping the package is for Christmas. (E) *I like people they are friendly.</p> <p>(2) How would you explain the difference between the following two sentences in (F) and (G) to the students? (5%)</p> <p>(F) The person that called to you was a stranger. (G) The person that you called to was a stranger.</p>					
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