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系別：英國語文學系三年級

科目：英語語言學概論

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Write concise answers to each of the following items; 10% each.

- ① Discuss the various **functions of language**.
- ② **Phonetics**. Transcribe the sentence {*The trashcan's full.*} as narrowly as possible using the *International Phonetic Alphabet*.
- ③ **Phonology**. Restate the following English phonological rule in ordinary language, and give an example:  
$$\begin{bmatrix} -\text{voiced} \\ +\text{plosive} \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow [+aspirated] / \$['] \underline{\quad}$$
- ④ **Morphology**. Consider the English noun *boy*. What are its different case forms and the functions of those forms?
- ⑤ **Syntax**. Analyze the following sentence into its constituents: {*Bill couldn't pull his pants up.*}
- ⑥ **Semantics**. Show how the antonyms {*big* : *small*} are semantically gradable.
- ⑦ **Graphology**. If an English word has a <ch> grapheme pronounced as [k] (as in the words *chasm*, *anarchy*) what does that tell us about the word's history?
- ⑧ **Language change**. The Mandarin pronunciation of 金 is [tɕin ɿ 55]; the Taiwanese pronunciation is [kim ɿ 55]. Assuming that Taiwanese has better kept an older pronunciation, what changes have taken place to produce the Mandarin form?
- ⑨ **Evolution of language**. How does the vocal tract of a human infant compare with that of a chimpanzee?
- ⑩ **History of linguistics**. In the Twentieth Century, who has had the greatest impact on the science of language?