

淡江大學九十四學年度碩士班招生考試試題¹⁹⁴⁻¹

系別：英文學系

科目：英語語言學概論

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Linguistics

Please answer each of the following questions in essay form:

1. According to Chomskyan theory, language appears to be a separated cognitive function in the brain; however, in modern linguistic theories such as that of Cognitive Linguistics, it is believed that language is an integral part of a general human cognitive function. Which one do you think is more plausible? Please support either of your views with clear examples and research evidence. (25%)
2. Are differences found in languages merely superficial or are they real as they reflect that there are different realities? What does Sapir-Whorf Hypothesis say about this? Finally, what is your view on this issue? Please support either of your view with clear examples and research evidence. (25%)
3. Can you explain the phenomenon that is known as *polysemy*, and the principle(s) of how a word develops several senses? For example, how does a physical 'see' is understood as an abstract 'see' that is to mean 'understand' or how a physical 'stand' came to be understood as the 'stand' that is to mean 'tolerate, or bear'? And how do you explain "The car drove over the bridge" and "Our relationship is over"? Please also use other examples to illustrate your point. (25%)
4. Draw a tree diagram for the following two sentences and then use traditional grammar, i.e. the grammatical function (e.g. subject, direct object, complement, etc.) of each category, to analyze them: (25%)
 - a. The invisible man repaired the car in the garage"
 - b. The man who repaired my car put it in the garage"