

淡江大學 99 學年度碩士班招生考試試題

系別：英文學系

科目：英語語言學概論

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1. The property of **entailment** states the logical and semantic relationship between two linguistic entities. Please define the term and use three pairs of lexical items to explain the concept. Then, use the idea of entailment to discuss the following syntactic constructions: active/passive and lexical causative/ phrasal causative. (25%)

2. English auxiliaries are argued to have the so-called “NICE” features, which also set the criteria to distinguish them from lexical verbs. What are the “NICE” features? Provide examples to help explain these four features. (25%)

3. *“Ebonics is a corrupted form of standard American English, there is no pattern, no rule concerning the linguistic behavior of its speakers at all.”* State whether the comment is correct or incorrect, explain why, and providing phonological, morphological, and syntactic examples to justify your answer. (25%)

4. Provide both “phonemic” and “phonetic” transcriptions for the following sentences: (25%)
 - (a) Protect your mind and body.
 - (b) In Britain, people don’t express their anger in public.
 - (c) Be proud of your work.