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The Entrance Examination in English for the Doctoral Program in
The Western Language and Literature at
Tamkang University, the 1998-1999 Academic Year

Instructions: All the answers are to be written in the answer book provided.

1. Define the following terms used in modern linguistics. 30%
 - a. Surface Structure
 - b. Phoneme
 - c. Universal Grammar
 - d. Bilingualism
 - e. Derivation
 - f. Markedness Differential Hypothesis

2. Is there a critical period for language acquisition? Give evidence to illustrate your point. 20%

3. The formation of the following sentences involves transformation. Give the deep structure and the surface structure for each sentence. 30%
 - a. Sue knows the man who Bob criticized and I know him too.
 - b. The painting was taken by the thieves.
 - c. Will that documentary about shark educate the public?

4. The English data below provide examples of stress placement on certain verbs. 20%

A	B	C
appear	adapt	astonish
collide	collapse	consider
erase	elect	imagine
carouse	observe	determine
corrode	torment	promise

 - i) Describe in words the stress placement on these verbs.
 - ii) Provide syllabified representations of the words *collide*, *elect*, and *consider* in order to illustrate your conclusion about stress placement on these forms.