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- I. The sentences below might be argued to be structurally ambiguous. Discuss the nature of the ambiguity in each case. 25%
- (1) Mary might seem very keen on the boat.
  - (2) The police will shoot terrorists with rifles.
  - (3) John will run down the new road.
  - (4) They may meet with scepticism.
- II. Change the following statements into rule notation. Be sure to name the process in question for each case. 25%
- (1) Voiceless stops become corresponding fricative between vowels.
  - (2) A schwa is inserted between a voiced stop and a word-final voiced fricative.
  - (3) Low unrounded vowels become rounded before  $\mu$ .
- III. It has been reported that hearing children growing up in homes with non-speaking deaf parents cannot learn language from radio or even television. 25%
- (1) Can you think of any reasons for this?
  - (2) What are the implications of these findings for our understanding of the type of experience that is required for language acquisition?
- IV. Discuss why second language learners, regardless of their first language, might produce forms such as goed, sheeps, and coulds given that they never hear these forms in input from native speakers of English. Give some other forms analogous to the above that might be generated. Are there any similarities between first language and second language acquisition? 25%