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Please respond to the following questions in English.

- 1. Please explain what a lingua franca is. You might want to look at the term from historical, societal, and linguistic perspectives. Please do provide examples to illustrate your statements. (20%)
- 2. For the following statements, please identify the extra messages they might *entail* (please note: I didn't mean *imply*). (20%)
 - a. Let's take MRT back home after the class.
 - b. I am waiting for my husband to pick me up.
 - c. John didn't pass the entrance exam to be admitted to Tamkang University.
 - d. My printer was broken yesterday.
 - e. Let's imagine we are now walking on the street.
 - f. If I were rich, I would have bought the house.
 - g. I was excited that the publisher asked me to write another chapter for a book they are going to publish in the future.
 - h. She no longer feels depressed because all her problems were solved.
 - i. I can give you the money you asked for if I have the money.
 - j. Please give me the details. Otherwise I don't know how to respond to your request.
- 3. Please provide examples to explain *tautologies* and *paradoxes* in our daily use of language. Please be sure to explain the two terms first and then use examples to make your explanations clearer. (20%)
- 4. Please explain what tone languages and intonation languages are. Be sure to provide examples to illustrate your statements. (20%)
- 5. Please draw two phrase structure trees to reflect on the two meanings of the following ambiguous sentence. Please remember to put down the meaning of each PS tree. (20%)

The teacher talked to the student with a microphone.