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Write concise answers to each of the following items; 10% each.

- Describe the various functions of language.
- **Phonetics**. Transcribe the sentence {We'd better leave.} as narrowly as possible using the International Phonetic Alphabet.
- **6** Phonology. Restate the following English phonological rule in ordinary language, and give examples:

$$\begin{bmatrix} +alveolar \\ +plosive \\ \pm voiced \end{bmatrix} \longrightarrow [+affricate] / $ __[I].$$

- **Morphology**. Consider the English pronoun *she*. What are its different case forms and the functions of those forms?
- Syntax. Analyze the following sentence into its constituents: {Mary took a taxi to Taipei.}
- **6** Semantics. Show how the antonyms {good : bad} are semantically gradable.
- Graphology. English has a <gn> grapheme (in words like gnat, gnaw, gnarled, gnash). Why is the <g> not pronounced?
- **8** Language change. Describe the changes that produced modern English *light* [lait] from Old English *līht* [li:ct].
- **O** Evolution of language. Why are the great apes incapable of human speech?
- History of linguistics. In the Twentieth Century, who had the greatest impact on the science of language?