

**Introduction to English Linguistics**  
**Final Examination**

30 1. *Explain* the ambiguity in the following sentences, noting whether it is lexical, semantic or structural in each case. If it is structural, provide the PS trees to indicate the ambiguity.

a. ??

b. ??

c. ??

20 2. The following sentences consist of a verb, its noun phrase subject, and various complements and prepositional phrases. Identify the thematic role of each NP by writing the letter a, t, i, s, g, l, or e above the noun, standing for agent, theme, instrument, Source, goal, location, and experiencer. Explain your decision for each case.

a                    t                    s                    i

Example: The boy took the books from the cupboard with a handcart.

a.                    ??

b.                    ??

c.                    ??

d.                    ??

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25 3. Give the English spelling for the following *phonetic* transcriptions:

a. [ ?? ] \_\_\_\_\_

b. [ ?? ] \_\_\_\_\_

c. [ ?? ] \_\_\_\_\_

d. [ ?? ] \_\_\_\_\_

e. [ ?? ] \_\_\_\_\_

25 4. In what ways can the study of linguistics be useful for learning and/or teaching English? Discuss the topic in detail with examples to support your argument. (approximately 150 words)

**The End**