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Write the letters that represent the sentences which are ungrammatical. Explain why these sentences are ungrammatical. 10%

- a. The boy found the ball quickly in the house.
- b. The boy found the ball.
- c. The boy found in the house.
- d. The boy found quickly.
- e. Disa slept soundly.
- f. Disa slept the baby.
- g. Zack believes Robert to be a gentleman.
- h. Zack believes to be a gentleman.
- i. Zack tries Robert to be a gentleman.
- j. Zack tries to be a gentleman.
- k. Zack wants to be a gentleman.
- l. Zack wants Robert to be a gentleman.
- m. Jack and Jill ran up the hill.
- n. Jack and Jill ran up the bill.
- o. Jack and Jill ran the hill up.
- p. Jack and Jill ran the bill up.
- q. Up the hill ran Jack and Jill.
- r. Up the bill ran Jack and Jill.

II. *Want to* is sometimes shortened as *wanna* in spoken form. Examine the following sentences. Can the *want to* in both sentences be shortened as *wanna*? Why or why not? 10%

- a. Who did John want to meet?
- b. Who did John want to go?

III. What kinds of information can you expect to find in the main text (not including the preface and appendices) of an English dictionary? Discuss these kinds of information. 20%

IV. The following words are formed using a particular kind of morphological device. Decide for each case whether the device is **derivational morphology**, **compounding**, **clipping**, **back formation**, **blending**, or **acronym**. 10%

- (1) *radar* (2) *clockwise* (3) *lifelike* (4) *backpack* (5) *edit* (6) *AIDS* (7) *mother-in-law*  
 (8) *peddle* (9) *gym* (10) *motel*

V. Old English is said to be an example of synthetic language, and Modern English is said to be an example of analytic language. Explain the differences between these two types of language and how such knowledge helps us understand Modern English better. 20%

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VI. Explain why the following jokes are funny. 15%

1. Q: What's the difference between a lion with a toothache and a rainstorm?  
A: One roars with pain and the other pours with rain.
2. Q: Why does lightning shock people?  
A: It doesn't know how to conduct itself.
3. Justice of the Peace (to bride who teaches linguistics):  
"Do you take this man to be your lawful wedded husband in good times or in bad?"  
Bride (after brief pause): "In good times."

VII. Discuss the pronunciation problems Taiwanese students have typically with the following English words.

Use IPA symbols to describe such problematic pronunciations. 15%

*see, food, down, three, fail*