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\*請在【答案卷卡】作答

1. What do we mean by a 'morpheme'? As far as the size of a morpheme is concerned, is it necessarily bigger than a syllable? Give examples from Chinese or English to illustrate your answers. (15%)
2. Give a phonetic transcription, in international phonetic alphabet (IPA), of the title of the documentary film '正負二度 C'. (5%)
  - a) Do your phonetic transcriptions contain exceptions to some Mandarin phonological rules? If yes, discuss what the exceptions are and the motivations of such exceptions. If no, discuss any modifications that might have appeared in your transcriptions. (10%)
  - b) Some Mandarin speakers do not distinguish the pronunciation of '二' versus '餓.' Use your knowledge of phonetics to discuss the articulatory differences between the standard pronunciations of '二' and '餓.' (10%)
3. Draw tree diagrams to represent the structures of the following sentences: (15%)
  - a) He was helping us.
  - b) We expect Mary will win the race.
  - c) Mary's parents would like you to stay.
4. What do we mean by subcategorization? Does the concept of subcategorization explain why the following sentences are ungrammatical? Discuss your answers. (15%)
  - a) \*The child was afraid at his father.
  - b) \*Saw an elephant the man.
5. What is a 'cognate'? Discuss two principles in comparative reconstruction using the data below. (20%)

Note: The apostrophe symbol (') represents a glottal stop here.

<u>Language A</u>	<u>Language B</u>	<u>Language C</u>	<u>Language D</u>	<u>Language E</u>
macuku'	macuku'	masuku'	masuku'	masukud
dalaq	dalaq	dalaq	dalaq	dalah
mapa'ic	mapa'ic	mapa'is	mapa'is	mapais
mapac'aq	mapac'aq	mapas'aq	mapas'aq	mapas'ah
qatu'	qatu'	qatu'	qatu'	hatub

6. What is the semantic relationship between the following pairs of words? (10%)
  - a) lion/animal
  - b) father/son