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Please answer all questions.

Use full sentences in C, D, E, F and G.

10% A. Identify the phrases in the sentences below and analyse their **internal structure**. An example is given in 0.

		NP		VP		AdvP		AdjP		
0		This	book		is		certainly		very old	
		det	head		head		head		premod	head

1 All the people in the car seemed extremely happy.

2 However, I will see his latest film very soon.

3 A big, dirty dog was sitting on the other side.

15% B. Analyse the clauses below with respect to clause elements (S, V, dO etc). Then **classify the lexical verbs** (monotransitive, ditransitive etc).

1 The new teacher discussed the issue at the end of the lecture.

2 I have always considered him brilliant.

3 All the children were playing that evening.

4 Graham quickly put the gun in his pocket.

5 This young woman is a highly talented artist.

6 I told my friend a big secret.

15% C. Choose the correct verb form(s), and explain your choice.

- 1 Your hypothesis does/do not make sense to me.
- 2 Billiards is/are played by two people on a large cloth-covered table.
- 3 The treatment of animals is/are important to many people.
- 4 One third of adults is/are overweight or obese.
- 5 A group of women has/have expressed their views.
- 6 The news Richard told me was/were terrible.
- 7 The police claims/claim this is an increasing problem.
- 8 The sheep was/were fed by the farmer.

10% D. Choose the correct form below, and explain your choice. Note that both the simple and the progressive may be used in some sentences, in which case you should explain any differences in meaning.

- 1 Usually, I drive / am driving to work.
- 2 I prepared / was preparing dinner when my wife came home.
- 3 You are / are being an idiot.
- 4 The exam starts / is starting at 11 am.
- 5 Minnesota borders / is bordering on Canada.
- 6 The patient died / was dying.

15% E. Identify the **adjectives and adverbs** in the text below, and classify them. For adjectives/adjective phrases: premodifier or sP? For adverbs/adverb phrases: premodifier or adverbial? If adverbial: adjunct or sentence adverbial?

His heart beating fast, Miles walked slowly through the undergrowth until he could see the deserted old mansion. He carefully approached the house and pushed the oak door open. It was very heavy, but slowly opened. He went into the dark hallway, and could hardly see the portraits of dead people. Fortunately, nobody was there. However, Miles suddenly felt a draft, and there, standing before him, was a monster with a terrifying, white face.

20% F. All the sentences below have some kind of marked word order. **Identify** the type of word order in each case, and **explain** why it has been used.

- 1 At the back of the room stood a massive, old table.
- 2 Never have I heard such a stupid thing.
- 3 It was amazing to be present at the 2014 Olympics.
- 4 The news spread that Saigon had fallen.
- 5 There will be a new election in Sweden in 2015.
- 6 The fire was started by an unknown person.
- 7 'This has been lovely', said the nice old lady.
- 8 It is in the West End that you find the big London theatres.

15% G. **Identify the subordinate clauses** in the sentences below, and classify them according to **finitude** (finite / non-finite), and **function** (subject, object, adverbial, postmodifier etc.)

- 1 She asked me how my day had been.
- 2 Fighting a war is expensive.
- 3 Books, which you can change at the shop, are good Christmas presents.
- 4 After they were caught, they declared that they would never steal again.
- 5 He wanted to leave the party because it was getting late.
- 6 My honest opinion is that he is losing his mind.