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**You should answer all questions.**

**You should use full sentences in C, D, 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 The scientific study of language and society is fairly new.

2 He published many important works in the sixties.

3 Naturally, I very much enjoy their insights.

**15% B. Analyse the clauses** below with respect to clause elements (S, V, dO etc). Then **classify** the lexical verbs (monotransitive, ditransitive etc). An example is given in 0.

	S	V	dO	oP	
0	I	have considered	him	brilliant	

The lexical verb consider is complex transitive.

1 All the guests put their valuables in the safe.

2 Some box from IKEA was lying under the table.

3 I honestly find the whole idea very silly.

4 My grandparents gave me a sweater for Christmas.

5 Did you get my message?

6 The scientific study of language and society is fairly new.

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

- 1 Gin and tonic is/are my favourite drink.
- 2 Linguistics is/are rather fun!
- 3 One third of the students enjoys/enjoy exams.
- 4 The majority of my friends thinks/think I am too critical.
- 5 Everyone was/were present during class.
- 6 The good news is/are that the weather is turning.
- 7 The sheep has/have been grazing all summer.
- 8 The best things in life is/are free.

**15% 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 I left / was leaving when he started shouting.
- 2 This shop closes / is closing at 8 pm.
- 3 Ethel walks / is walking to school every Wednesday.
- 4 He is / is being so selfish.
- 5 Do you speak / are you speaking English?
- 6 While we ate / were eating, the telephone rang.

**10% E. Insert the correct prepositions below.**

- 1 Senior citizens are learning to cope \_\_\_\_\_ chronic illness.
- 2 The product is now being sold \_\_\_\_\_ a profit all over the world.
- 3 A woman was infected \_\_\_\_\_ bird flu after a trip to China.
- 4 Just try to do the job \_\_\_\_\_ the best of your ability.
- 5 My parents delight \_\_\_\_\_ cheese and fine wines.
- 6 They congratulated her \_\_\_\_\_ her new job.
- 7 You should never judge someone \_\_\_\_\_ the way they dress.
- 8 She was later convicted \_\_\_\_\_ attempted murder.

**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 Out of the shadows came a big and mysterious creature.
- 2 It was my neighbour who called the police.
- 3 So stupid did the plan seem that nobody supported it.
- 4 It is marvellous that you have proposed to her!
- 5 There is some beer in the fridge.
- 6 I read a book yesterday about a post-apocalyptic world.
- 7 The book was written by Cormac McCarthy.
- 8 I know Timothy, but Gordon I haven't met.

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

- 1 Dealing with these children is hardly a pleasure.
- 2 My nephew has written many books which are interesting.
- 3 Please tell me why you left school.
- 4 You should come as soon as you can.
- 5 We have decided to visit France this summer.
- 6 If you scratch my back, I'll scratch yours.