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1. Write the letter that gives appropriate examples of the following terms. 10 points.

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| abbreviations | a. lap top computer, pork chop, pickpocket          |
| acronyms      | b. bike, ad, math, gym                              |
| antonyms      | c. bite your tongue, eat my hat, put your foot down |
| blends        | d. dept., Mr., Ave.                                 |
| clipping      | e. cite, sight, site; see, sea, C                   |
| compounds     | f. present, absent; dead, alive; tall, short        |
| homonyms      | g. rise, ascend; era, age, epoch; happy, glad       |
| idioms        | h. time is money; he's a snake in the grass         |
| metaphors     | i. AIDS, radar, UNICEF                              |
| synonyms      | j. smog, motel                                      |

2. Give short definitions of the following. 15 points.

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| descriptive grammar | intonation |
| assimilation        | dialect    |
| pragmatics          |            |

3. Study the following data (from Yipounou, a language of the Gabon, Africa), then list all the morphemes and give the meaning of each morpheme. 15 points.

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| gobul- 'to save'              | nyimagobula 'I saved'            |
| gobulu 'state of being saved' | nyimamugobula 'I saved him'      |
| ugobulu 'to be saved'         | nyimakegobula 'I saved myself'   |
| nyugobulu 'I will be saved'   | nyukegobula 'I will save myself' |
| nyugobula 'I will save'       | amagobula 'he saved'             |
| nyigobulu 'I am saved'        | amamugobula 'he saved him'       |
| nyimagobulu 'I was saved'     | amakegobula 'he saved himself'   |

NOTE: The first person singular prefix has two forms, ny- and nyi-.

4. Write the following words in phonetic transcription. 20 points.

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| age    | phone      |
| bugs   | that       |
| enough | university |
| ever   | walked     |
| king   | xerox      |

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5. Draw phrase structure trees for the following. 20 points.

The truth is out there.

Bart was transferred to another school.

Scully decided to ask Mulder what he was doing with the alien.

The spy who came in from the cold told his boss everything.

Whose underwear do you wear? Calvin Klein or nothing at all.

6. One thousand years ago, Old English was spoken only in one part of the British Isles. Today English it is the world's international language. Explain how and why the English language became so important. 20 points.