

Handout 2/a

- 1 In what sense is language two-faced
- 2 How do structural ambiguities arise
- 3 What do the square brackets symbolize in (4)
- 4 What are square brackets used for
- 5 What is a tree-diagram for
- 6 What do the terms *immediate/ultimate constituent* mean
- 7 What is the purpose of diagnostic tests
- 8 What does *substitution* consist in
- 9 What does *anaphoric* mean
- 10 What is a *phrase*
- 11 What is *head*
- 12 Different types of phrases require different category substitutes. Enumerate them.
- 13 What parts does a tree diagram have
- 14 What do the triangles represent
- 15 What does the *subject-object asymmetry* involve
- 16 What does hierarchy consist in
- 17 In what sense is a VP a layered structure
- 18 What does a *canonical clause* look like
- 19 Explain *unmarked/marked* word order
- 20 Which English structures are used for diagnostic purposes
- 21 What is a *flat* structure
- 22 What is *binary* about structure
- 23 What is the point in a tree representation
- 24 Explain the difference between *complement* and *adjunct*
- 25 What is an XP
- 26 What is in common between NP and sentence structure
- 27 What do *do* and *do so* substitute for
- 28 Explain the relationship between *core* and *layered VP* in terms of interpretation
- 29 What is the difference between a *tree representation* and a *labelled bracketing representation*
- 30 What is the *unmarked/marked word order* in English like
- 31 How many *movements* are there
- 32 Explain the following: "... clefting of the type illustrated here does not affect the VP..." (page 87.)
- 33 What is the semantic relation between *paraphrases*
- 34 Which part is informationally prominent in a pseudo-cleft
- 35 What is a pseudo-cleft sentence made up of
- 36 What do pseudo-cleft sentences suggest about the structure of VPs
- 37 What categories can be coordinated

TERMS

adjective phrase (= AP), adjunct, ambiguous ~ (lexical/structural) ambiguity, anaphora ~ anaphoric (vs cataphoric vs exophoric), antecedent, assemblage ~ assemble, asymmetry, augmented VP (= layered/non-core VP), binary, binarity, canonical clause/position, (lexical, phrasal) categories, cleft sentence, complement, constituency, constituent, coordination, core VP, de-

letion, ellipsis, flat vs hierarchical/layered structure, focalise, focus, focus construction, foreground (vs background), fronting, immediate constituent, intuition, label, labelled bracketing, layered VP, marked vs unmarked (form/word order), movement, neutral sentence, noun phrase (= NP), object, paraphrase, phrase, prepositional phrase (= PP), pre/postverbal position, prime ~ primed, prominent information, pronoun, pseudo-cleft sentence, question word (aka interrogative pronoun), redundancy, root (of tree), square brackets, string of words, subject, substitution, tree diagram/representation, triangle, truth-condition, ultimate constituent, verb phrase (= VP), VP-ellipsis, VP-fronting, wh-question (aka constituent question/wh-constituents), XP