

MIDTERM TEST

1. State the relationship between the underlined words in the following sentence, “*He swung the bat and hit a bat.*”
2. Give the figurative meaning of the following sentence, “*The exam was a piece of cake.*”
3. Give two presuppositions for the following sentence, “*I managed to win the contest.*”
4. Give the implicature for the following conversation:
Mai: *Is Nam a good boy?*
Bình: *He’s very handsome.*
5. State the relationship between the underlined words in the following sentence, “*I am clearly content with this clear content.*”
6. Give the figure of speech used in the following sentence, “*The car ran very fast and caused a serious accident.*”
7. Give two presuppositions for the following sentence, “*Why didn’t you do your homework?*”
8. Give the implicature for the following conversation:
Ann: *Can you tell me what time it is?*

John: *I never use a watch.*

9. If we are talking about a situation in which John is standing alone in the corner, does the word “John” refer to the same referent as *the person in the corner*?
10. Indicate the relationships between the following pair of words: *tool* and *saw*.
11. Imagine two different everyday situations in which separate couples are having separate conversations about what they refer to with the phrase the Morning Star. Would they be talking about the same object (i.e. does the Morning Star normally have constant reference)?
12. Write the entailment for the following sentence, “*He stole something.*”
13. Explain the semantic ambiguity in the following sentence by giving two sentences with similar meanings to the original sentence, but different ones from each other, “*Lan gave her dog food.*” (Note: Use active voice only.)
14. In the following situation, what indirect illocutionary act is carried out by the utterance: A teacher of English says to one of his intermediate-level student in a speaking class, “*Can you speak English*”?

- 15.State if the following statement is true or false, *“Every expression which has meaning has sense, but not every expression has reference”*.
- 16.Give the paraphrase for the following sentence: *John told me, “I met Mary yesterday.”*
- 17.Is the following sentence analytic, synthetic, or contradictory, *“My father is a spinster”*?
- 18.State if the following statement is true or false: *A directive illocutionary act is any illocutionary act which essentially involves the speaker trying to get the hearer to behave in some required way.*
- 19.In the following situation, what indirect illocutionary act is carried out by the utterance:
A teacher who is teaching English in his class says to his students: *“Your English is very good”*?
- 20.Fill the missing word in the blank of the following sentence, *“A/An _____ is that part of the meaning of the utterance of a declarative sentence which describes some state of affairs.”*