Faculty of Education, Masaryk University in Brno Lexicology – Spring Semester 2006 Sample final test – B Total: 30 pts. To pass: 18.5 pts. (60 %)

1. Define the following concepts and give examples : (linguistic) sign –
loan translation (calque) –
extension of meaning -
2. How were apparently the following expressions formed? Identify their components in terms of form (morphology), function and origin. superstardom -
viewfinder –
make-up –
3. List the differences between English and Czech derivation and give examples.
4. Comment on the category of case in English.
5. What are copular verbs? What types of copular verbs do we recognize?
6. What influence did Norman French have on English wordstock? When and how did it take place? Give examples.

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1. Define the following concepts and give examples : polysemy -
folk etymology / reinterpretation –
synecdoche -
2. How were apparently the following expressions formed? Identify their components in terms of form (morphology), function and origin. distinguishability -
loose-tongued (= likely to speak indiscreetly, blabbing) -
tiger's eye (= a semiprecious variety of quartz) -
3. Classify different types of common words based on proper names. Give examples for each type.
4. Comment on the category of mood in English and compare it with Czech.
5. What are the types and function of shift of meaning ? Give English examples for each type
6. What was the influence of Latin and Greek on English wordstock? When and how did it take place? Give examples.