Lesson 7 / Handout 7a – KEY

Match the following semantic roles of adverbials to the examples below:

degree contingency(result) space(position) modality(approximation) time(position) modality(restriction) contingency(cause) process(manner) space(direction) contingency(reason) process(instrument) time(duration) contingency(purpose) process(agency) contingency(concession) time(frequency) contingency(condition)

- 1. a) The child was asleep on the grass. space (position)
 b) The woman walked down the hill. space (direction)
- 2. a) He was born in 1978. time (position)
 - b) I shall be in New York until Thursday. time (duration)
 - c) They very seldom went to see their grandparents. time (frequency)
- 3. a) The teacher explained everything very clearly. (process) manner
 - b) He has difficulty eating with chopsticks. (process) instrument
 - c) This book was written by Ernest Hemingway. (process) agency
- 4. a) Her father died of cancer. (contingency) cause
 - b) She bought the book through an interest in linguistics. (contingency) reason
 - c) She bought the book to study linguistics. (contingency) purpose
 - d) *She read the book carefully, so she acquired a good knowledge of linguistics.* (contingency) result

e) *If she reads the book carefully, she will acquire a good knowledge of linguistics. I* (contingency) condition

f) *Though she read the book carefully, she didn't achieve much knowledge of linguistics.* (contingency) concession

- 5. a) He is probably going to leave. modality (approximation)
 b) He should be in London only until Tuesday. modality (restriction)
- 6. a) Her father helped her a little with her research. degree