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*Undergraduate level*

## **LINGUISTICS 8806**

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### **Task Sheet 21**

**Academic year: 2009-2010**

## **PART II. AN INTRODUCTION TO THE HISTORY OF LINGUISTICS**

### **KEY TOPIC(S):**

- **Twentieth-century linguistics.**

### **READING ASSIGNMENT 11**

The purpose of this reading assignment is to help you to become familiar with the development and current scope of linguistics (Modern Linguistics), from the pioneering statements of Ferdinand de Saussure to the present day, in particular recognizing the influential role played by Noam Chomsky in giving direction to the modern subject, and the various points of contact the subject has with other academic fields.

**Make a brief outline of the information given in the two texts of this reading assignment:**