Phonology

EXERCISE #1

TONKAWA

Consider the following data from Tonkawa (an Amerindian language in Texas).

- 1. Posit underlying representations for the stems.
- 2. Identify the phonological process(es). Provide arguments.
- 3. Formulate rules that will account for their divergent phonetic representations.
- 4. Are any of the rules ordered? Explain.
- 5. Give the derivations of hoe, he hoes them, and he is hoeing (it).

notox hoe
notx-o? he hoes (it)
we-ntox-o? he hoes them

notxo-n-o? he is hoeing (it) we-ntoxo-n-o? he is hoeing them

picen castrated one, steer

picn-o? he cuts (it)
we-pcen-o? he cuts them
picna-n-o? he is cutting (it)
we-pcena-n-o? he is cutting them

netl-o? he licks (it)
we-ntal-o? he licks them
netle-n-o? he is licking (it)
we-ntale-n-o? he is licking them

nepaxk-o? he smokes nepaxke-n-o? he is smoking we-npaxk-o? he smokes them

salk-o? he pulls sinew from meat salke-n-o? he is pulling sinew from meat we-salk-o? he pulls sinews from meat