LINGUISTICS 407

Historical Linguistics

Exercise #2

1. MIDDLE CHINESE

Consider the forms below from Mandarin and Hakka.

- i. Reconstruct the Middle Chinese form for the word from which the cognates have descended. Argue for your solution.
- ii. Describe the sound changes that have affected the language(s) in question.

	MANDARIN (Beijing)	HAKKA (Huizhou)	
1.	tſin	kim	zither
2.	la	lat	spicy, hot
3.	cm	mok	lonesome
4.	lan	lam	basket
5.	dzi	gip	worry
6.	lan	lan	lazy
7.	pa	pa	fear

2. SINAUGORO AND MOTU (spoken in Papua New Guinea)

Consider the forms below from Sinaugoro and Motu.

- i. Reconstruct the proto-form for the word from which the cognates have descended. Argue for your solution.
- ii. Describe the sound changes that have affected the language(s) in question.

SINAUGORO

MOTU

1.	tama	tama	father
2.	tina	sina	mother
3.	taŋi	tai	cry
4.	tui	tui	elbow, knee
5.	γita	ita	see
6.	γate	ase	liver
7.	mate	mase	die
8.	natu	natu	child
9.	toi	toi	three