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LINGUIST 401  
Introduction to Syntax  
Fall 2012, Machmer E 37, TuTh 11.15-12.30

Assignment 1  
Assigned: September, 4 2012, due September 11, 2012

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1. Assign parts of speech (N, V, A, P, D, Adv) to all the nonsense words in *Jabberwocky*. You can do so on the assignment itself.
2. Justify the parts of speech that you have assigned to raths and outgrabe. Is another consistent assignment possible?
3. Justify your treatment of snicker-snack.
4. How would you treat `Twas?

Jabberwocky  
**Lewis Carroll**

'Twas brillig, and the slithy toves  
Did gyre and gimble in the wabe;  
All mimsy were the borogoves,  
And the mome raths outgrabe.

Beware the Jabberwock, my son!  
The jaws that bite, the claws that catch!  
Beware the Jubjub bird, and shun  
The frumious Bandersnatch!

He took his vorpal sword in hand:  
Long time the manxome foe he sought,  
So rested he by the Tumtum tree,  
And stood awhile in thought.

And as in u\_sh thought he stood,  
The Jabberwock, with eyes of  
Came whi\_ing through the tulgey wood,  
And burbled as it came!

One, two! One, two! and through and through  
The vorpal blade went snicker-snack!  
He left it dead, and with its head  
He went galumphing back.

And hast thou slain the Jabberwock?  
Come to my arms, my beamish boy!  
O frabjous day! Callooh! Callay!  
He chortled in his joy.

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