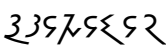
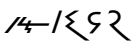
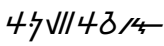
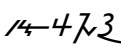


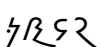
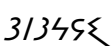
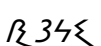





Problem 8. Meroitic (20 marks)

The Meroitic script was used to write the Meroitic language from the 3rd century BCE, spoken in the Kingdom of Kush (which is now northern Sudan and southern Egypt).

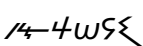
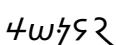
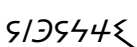
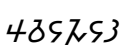
Below are twelve words in Meroitic script, along with their Roman-script transliterations and English translations. The English translations are not necessary to solve the problem.



1.		a)	anata	<i>'priest'</i>
2.		b)	sema	<i>'wife'</i>
3.		c)	apote	<i>'messenger'</i>
4.		d)	pelamosa	<i>'general'</i>
5.		e)	qore	<i>'ruler'</i>
6.		f)	ata	<i>'bread'</i>
7.		g)	apedemaka	<i>(a warrior god)</i>
8.		h)	sate	<i>'tutor/mother'</i>
9.		i)	palasana	<i>'overseer of temple'</i>
10.		j)	paqara	<i>'prince'</i>
11.		k)	tewiseti	<i>'adoration inscription'</i>
12.		l)	kadite	<i>'sister'</i>

Q 8.1 Determine the correct correspondences.

Q 8.2 Transcribe the following words in Roman script:

- a) 
- b) 
- c) 
- d) 

Problem 8. Meroitic Answers and Explanation (1/1)

Total: 20 points

Problem 8. Meroitic

8.1 1pt for correct match. Max 12.

1. G	2. C	3. K	4. L
5. B	6. E	7. A	8. D
9. I	10. F	11. H	12. J

8.2	a perite
	b atari
	c pileqe
	d medewi

Q 8.2 2pt if correct; 1pt if 1-2 letters incorrect. Max 8.

Explanation

- Meroitic is written right-to-left.
- By default, all letters have an inherent vowel unless followed by a letter. For most letters, this is -a, but there are two letters (**se** and **te**) that have an inherent -e.

Vowels:

Ⲁ a Ⲅ e Ⲉ i Ⲍ o

Consonants:

Ⲑ w(a) Ⲓ b(a) Ⲕ p(a) Ⲗ m(a) Ⲙ n(a) Ⲛ r(a) Ⲝ l(a) Ⲟ s(a) Ⲡ k(a) Ⲣ q(a) Ⲥ t(a)
 Ⲧ se Ⲩ te