

**EE Pronunciation Varieties MOCK TEST**

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**A/10pts/1a** The author of *Accents of English*, 1982: .....

**1b** The author of *Accents and Dialects for Stage and Screen*, 2010: .....

**2** Match phonetic terms and their definitions: A= , B= , C= , D= , E= , F= .

A assimilation, B palatalization, C approximant, D glottis, E dialect, F devoicing.

- a) A consonant in which the vocal tract is narrowed, but not enough to cause turbulent air flow.
- b) The occurrence of a normally voiced consonant losing some or all of its voicing as happens in Dutch and German to final voiced consonants.
- c) The fusion of two consonants into one.
- d) A regional variant of a language distinguished by pronunciation, vocabulary and grammar from the standard form.
- e) The space between the vocal folds.
- f) The active upper position of tongue blade as occurs while pronouncing the semi-vowel /j/.

**3** Transcribe the modern (innovated) EE pronunciations of the terms

*endure*..... *society* ..... *pasta and pizza* .....

**4** Which English linguist propagates the inclusion of innovations into official transcriptions of RP? Who is his follower at this department?

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**5** Which English county's inhabitants are believed to follow the motto Ear all, see all, say nowt; Eyt all, sup all, pay nowt; And if ivver tha does owt fer nowt Allus do it fer thissen ? Transcribe the word *sup* in this accent's pronunciation.

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**6** Which accent in England has a Celtic substratum and gives a sing-song impression? .....

**7** Which is the only accent of English where schwa can be stressed? .....

**8** Which overseas accent sounds a lot like Australian but, rather than the long Aus. front /a:/, it uses long back /A:/? .....

**9** Urban accent which makes no difference between the long schwa /ɛ:/ and the diphthong /ɛ↔/? .....

**10** Which accent in England resembles Scottish because of its frequent monophthongizations but non-rhotic? .....

**B/10pts/**Match the origins of speakers with the numbers of their recordings reading “Please call Stella”.

- A ... 1 Birmingham
- B ... 2 Leicester
- C ... 3 Glasgow
- D ... 4 Strabane, NI
- E ... 5 Kilkenny, Eire

**C/30pts/**

- 1 A politician speaking about Iraq. His accent: .....
- 2 Another politician, from another country, speaking about the invasion to Iraq as well.