**EE Pronunciation Varieties MOCK TEST November 28, 2013 Name:…………..**

**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 continuant, B liaison, C fricative, D pitch,

E schwa, F velum.

….. A consonant in which the vocal tract is narrowed sufficiently to cause turbulent air flow.

….. The central vowel / /, found in great abundance in casual English.

….. The soft palate.

….. A consonant that may be prolonged indefinitely rather than having the finite duration of a stop.

….. Linking, or, the strategy of using the final sound of one word to initiate the following.

….. The relative musical tone of an utterance.

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

*obscure…………….………………..variety ………………………………. vodka or gin …………………………………*

**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** State what the urban accents spoken in the following towns are called: Birmingham=……….

Liverpool=……………………, Newcastle upon Tyne=…………………………, Glasgow=…………………………

**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** What would you say are the biggest differences between Scottish and Northern Irish English?

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**9** What does the Cockney diphthong shift consist in? Complete the chain:

/i:/ > /e\_\_/ > /a\_\_/ > /\_\_\_\_\_/

**10** Characterize the accent of Eire (Irish Republic).

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

1 ……………………………… Birmingham

2 ……………………………… Leicester

3 ……………………………… Glasgow

4 ………………………………. Strabane, NI

5 ……………………………… Kilkenny, Eire

**C/30pts/**

**1** You shall hear a TV report on legal proceedings in detaining a runaway Czech gangster.

*2 minutes, 12pts*

1. his name (non-Czech students just first name) : ………………………………………………………
2. 2 crimes he is accused of in the Czech Republic: ……………………………………………………..
3. country in which he is being prosecuted now, give evidence of the accent.
4. crimes committed in his new country of residence:
5. the expression used for “runaway“: …………………………………………

**2** Graham Norton’s reaction to an accent. Listen especially to the beginning. Accent: ……………

*1:22, 6 pts*

**3** In the Name of the Father Monologue. Accent: ………………………………………………….

*1 minute, 6pts*

**4** Tom Hanks teaching the audience to put on an accent in a talk show.

*1 minute, 6pts*

a) Which accent? ……………………………….

b) Which two words does he use? ………………………………………………………………

c) Which traditional dish is mentioned? ……………………………………..

d) Who is this talk show’s host? …………………………………………………

e) Which other accent of English is mentioned? ………………………..