**EE Pronunciation Varieties MOCK TEST November 25, 2014 Name:…………..**

**A/20pts/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 /ə/, 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 ……………………………… Camberley, Surrey

2 ……………………………… Leeds, W Yorkshire

3 ……………………………… Glasgow, Sc

4 ………………………………. Strabane, NI

5 ……………………………… Kilkenny, Eire

**C/20pts/**

**1** You shall hear a TV report on legal proceedings in detaining a runaway Czech gangster. *2minutes twice, 12pts*

1. his name (spell or transcribe) : …………………………….……………………………………………………
2. the expression used for [accused of] “running away“:

………………………………………………

2 crimes he is accused of in the Czech Republic:

……………………………………………………..

1. country in which he is being prosecuted now: ………………………..

evidence of the country´s accent in the reporter´s speech:

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1. crimes committed in his new country of residence:

……………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………….

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

*1:22, 6 pts ……………………………………………*

**3** A man speaking about politics in his country (explicitly stated). Accent: ………………………….

*1.21 min., 6pts*

**4** 2 minutes of a Sky News interview with the sister (Stephanie) and brother (his name? ……..)

of Meredith Kercher, an English student murdered in Perugia, Italy in 2007. Localize their

accent geographically and socially (*2mins, 6pts):*