**EE Pronunciation Varieties MOCK TEST November 23, 2017**

**A/20pts/**

**1a** The author of *Accents of English*, 1982: …………………………………………………………….

**1b** The author of *Sociophonology*, 1998: ………………………………………

**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 unlike a stop (plosive) or fricative.

….. 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 …………………..………………………. Buddha images ……………………………………………………………*

**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? ……………………………………..

What is the schwa here an allophone of? /……/.

**8** What would you say are the biggest differences between Scottish and Northern Irish Eng.?

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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. *2:46, played once, 5pts:* [*https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2PWSJH02krs*](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2PWSJH02krs)

A stand-up comedian recalls practising his father’s language.

1. The comedian’s name (T.N.):
2. Where he spent the first two decades of his life:
3. The two official languages of that country:
4. The language of his father:
5. *2:04, played once, 5 pts:* <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pkmUktJ94jg>

You´ll hear a professional recording of a monologue in which a woman speaks about a trauma she has suffered, in quite a pronounced accent.

1. Localize her accent:
2. The kind of trauma she has suffered:
3. *1:54, played once, 5 pts:* <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hkmeoYKYctw>

You’ll hear a commercial advertizing an outdoor wooden floor maintenance product. Decide about the accent and give reasons. What is the key expression for “terrace floor“?

1. *1:36, played once, 5pts:* <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jsUvcjk8J5c>

A report on losses and strays on a sheep farm. Localize the accent and give evidence.