EE Pronunciation Varieties MOCK TEST

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 /₉/, 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?

.....

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.?

.....

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	Manchester, Lanc.
3	Glasgow, Sc
4	Strabane, NI
5	New Sth Wales, Aus

C/20pts/

1 2:46, played once, 5pts: <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2PWSJH02krs</u>

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

- a) The comedian's name (T.N.):
- b) Where he spent the first two decades of his life:
- c) The two official languages of that country:
- d) The political setup in that country while he was a child:
- e) The language of his father:

2 2:04, played once, 5 pts: <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pkmUktJ94jg</u>

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.

- a) Localize her accent:
- b) The kind of trauma she has suffered:

3 1:54, played once, 5 pts: <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hkmeoYKYctw</u>

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"?

4 1:36, played once, 5pts: <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jsUvcjk8J5c</u>

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