

EE Pronunciation Varieties MOCK TEST

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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 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”.

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| 1 | Camberley, Surrey |
| 2 | Leeds, W Yorkshire |
| 3 | Glasgow, Sc |
| 4 | Strabane, NI |
| 5 | Kilkenny, Eire |

C/20pts/

1 2:32, played once, 5pts

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DnaaPQz1xJM>

You will hear reactions to the recent Paris attacks in a certain EE country (mentioned 3 times).

- a) Country
- b) Town of the TV station: (mentioned twice)
- c) 3 examples (words, pronunciations of this accent):

2 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.

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

3 0:20, played 3 times, 5 pts

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LQV2QwaqwAs>

Part of a sketch with Harry Enfield, Kathy Burke and Naomi Campbell. Wayne gets his partner Waynetta the long-desired brown baby by impregnating Naomi Campbell. Place their accent geographically and socially, give evidence.

4 2:39, played once, 5pts

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wuEJRSmRx0c>

An introduction of a rising TV star, Ruairí McSorley.

- a) Where is Ruairí from? B) The pronunciation of his name Ruairí:

