**EE Pronunciation Varieties MOCK TEST May 11, 2023**

**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?

**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 ……………………………… [speech accent archive: browse (gmu.edu)](https://accent.gmu.edu/browse_language.php?function=detail&speakerid=82) Camberley, Surrey

2 ……………………………… [speech accent archive: browse (gmu.edu)](https://accent.gmu.edu/browse_language.php?function=detail&speakerid=909) Manchester, Lanc.

3 ……………………………… [speech accent archive: browse (gmu.edu)](https://accent.gmu.edu/browse_language.php?function=detail&speakerid=149) Glasgow, Sc

4 ………………………………. [speech accent archive: browse (gmu.edu)](https://accent.gmu.edu/browse_language.php?function=detail&speakerid=638) Strabane, NI

5 ……………………………… [speech accent archive: browse (gmu.edu)](https://accent.gmu.edu/browse_language.php?function=detail&speakerid=773) Sydney, Aus

**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 political setup in that country while he was a child:
5. The language of his father:
6. *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. *2:30, played once, 5 pts:* https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qS7mBbXxJYA

You‘ll hear the beginning of a TED talk about living in a cult. Decide what the young woman’s pronounced accent is. How long has she lived in the cult for?

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.