

# PRONUNCIATION VARIETIES, Autumn 2011

**Sessions:** Room G25, 1550-1725,

Sep. 19, Oct. 3, 17 and 31, Nov. 14 and 28, Dec. 12.

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## **Compulsory listening:**

J.C.Wells – Accents of English

Collins and Mees – Practical Phonetics and Phonology

*(tapescripts obtained in class)*

Youtube: - The English Language in 26 Accents

21 Accents by Amy Walker

Educating Rita Part 1

*Films presented in italics for each accent*

## **Literature:**

Phonetics terminology

Accents of English by J.C.Wells, chapters presented in class

International English by Trudgill and Hannah, chapters presented in class

## **Requirements:**

- Attendance, 3pts a session

- Final test max. 50pts

- Contributions, av. 10pts

## **Syllabus**

### **Sep. 19**

Introduction. Literature. Terminology. Web sources.

Wells' triangle and Trudgill's chart.

Sources of recordings and tapescripts.

2 social varieties in *Educating Rita*.

Anglican vicar stereotype in *The Three Men and a Little Lady*.

Creating one's own accent. Collection of errors. North American project.

Having native speakers of different accents in class.

### **Oct. 3**

Presentations: - Phonetics terminology

- The sociolinguistics of accents from Wells

- RP, R.I.P. by David Abercrombie

- Sociophonology by John Honey

- Upton's model of RP by Miroslav Ježek

EE accents in the UK and beyond: AUS, NZ, SA.

### **Oct. 17**

Scottish. HW: watch *Trainspotting*.

Irish. Northern: *In the Name of the Father*.

### **Oct. 31**

Introduction to, and delimitation of American Standard and Accents.

Presentation on Labov's research.

*The Cat on a Hot Tin Roof, Forrest Gump.*

**Nov. 14**

The Caribbean. Papua New Guinea. African and Indian varieties.

International English, second-language varieties.

**Nov. 28**

Revision; Mock test in theory and accent description and recognition, immediate corrections and explanations.

**Dec. 12**

Credit test.