

ENG 121



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FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF
EDUCATION (ARTS)

COURSE CODE: ENG 121

COURSE TITLE: ENGLISH PHONETICS AND PHONOLOGY

DATE: 31 MAY, 2022

TIME: 2 – 5PM

INSTRUCTION TO CANDIDATES

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REGULAR - MAIN EXAM

ENG121: INTRODUCTION TO ENGLISH PHONETICS AND PHONOLOGY

STREAM: B. ED (ARTS)

DURATION: 3 HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

- i. Answer Question *ONE* and any other *TWO* questions.
- ii. Do not write on the question paper.

Question One

- a) Using appropriate examples, discuss any **four** parameters used in the classification of English consonant sounds. (16 marks)
- b) Provide the phonemic transcription of each of the following words:
 - i. Rough
 - ii. Hymn
 - iii. Prey
 - iv. Together (8 marks)
- c) Describe and provide an example for each of the following English sounds:
 - i. Rounded vowels
 - ii. Nasal sounds
 - iii. Affricates (6 marks)

Question Two

- a) In each of the following sets of symbols, at least one symbol represents a speech sound that lacks the phonetic feature shared in common by the others. Identify the symbol and give your reasons.
 - i. [m, n, ŋ, ʃ]
 - ii. [p, f, ʒ, u]
 - iii. [ɣ, g, p, f]
 - iv. [m, ɣ, v, ð]
 - v. [b, s, p, θ] (10 marks)
- b) Describe any **two** criteria for categorizing vowel sounds using the cardinal vowel diagram. (10 marks)

Question Three

- a) Define the term *syllabic consonant*. Provide any two illustrations. (5 marks)
- b) Differentiate between *diphthongs* and *triphthongs* using at least **two** examples of each. (6 marks)
- c) Identify the place and manner of articulation of the final sound in the word *print*. (5 marks)
- d) Distinguish between *primary stress* and *secondary stress*. (4 marks)

Question Four

- a) Explain each of the terms below illustrating with any two examples as used in connected speech:
 - i. Assimilation (4 marks)
 - ii. Elision (4 marks)
- b) Describe the structure of the English syllable using any **three** appropriate illustrations. (12 marks)

Question Five

- a) Identify any **two** speech sounds produced at the following points of articulation and describe their manner of articulation:
 - i. Teeth (3 marks)
 - ii. Lips (3 marks)
 - iii. Alveolar ridge (3 marks)
 - iv. Palate (3 marks)
- b) Using illustrations, distinguish between each of the following pairs of terms:
 - i. Phoneme/allophone (4 marks)
 - ii. Pitch/tone (4 marks)