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First Semester English phonetics Exam.

Task One: Define the following terms briefly. (4 Points)

1. Phonology:

The study of description of the distinctive sound units (Phonemes) of a language and their relationship to meaning.

2. Linguistics:

is the study of language as a system of human communication.

3. Diphthongs:

A diphthong is a combination between two short vowels, which consist of a movement or glide from one another.

4. Bilabial sounds (what are they?):

are sounds produced when the lips are brought together.

Task Two: In the following multiple choice questions tick (✓) the most appropriate answer. (4 Points)

1. When the lower lip touches the upper teeth, the place of articulation is called:

Dental

Labio-dental

Palato-alveolar

2. When the back of the tongue articulates with the soft palate, the place of articulation is called:

Back-consonant

Palatal

Velar

3. Choose the correct transcription for the word "enough" out of these options:

[inæygh]

[inʌf]

[inæf]

4. In the words below indicate the one which contains a closing diphthong:

Create

Layer

Serious

5. In the words below indicate the one which contains a centering diphthong:

Really

Boy

Know

Task Three: transcribe the following words phonetically. (4 Points)

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| 1. Say [seɪ] | 5. Only [əʊnli] |
| 2. Learn [lɜ:n] | 6. You [ju:] |
| 3. Start [stɑ:t] | 7. Power [paʊə] |
| 4. Woman [wʊmən] | 8. Need [ni:d] |

Task Four: decide whether the following statements are true or false, correct the wrong ones. (4 Points)

1. Acoustic phonetics deals with how speech sounds are perceived by the listener. False auditory Phonetics
2. The soft palate or velum is a tube which begins above the larynx. it is divided into two, one part being the back of the oral cavity and the other being the beginning of the way through nasal cavity
False the pharynx
3. Phonology is the study a language as system of human communication
False Phonology
4. An accent refers to a variety of a language which is different from others not just in pronunciation but also in such matters as vocabulary and grammar
False A dialect
5. Labio-dental sounds are made by raising the tip of the tongue towards the alveolar ridge that is right behind the upper front teeth
False the alveolar sounds.
6. Palatal sounds are produced when the lips are brought together
False bilabial sounds.
7. Velar sounds are produced by touching the upper front teeth with the tip of the tongue
False dental sounds.
8. Bilabial sounds are produced when the air passes through the glottis as it is narrowed
False glottal sounds

Task Five: In what ways vowels differ from each other? (4 Points)

- A/ The shape and position of the tongue (the vertical distance between the upper surface of the tongue and the palate and secondly the part of the tongue between front and back, which is raised highest).
- B/ The lip position:
1. Rounded lips
 2. Spread lips
 3. Neutral lips

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Thank You /θæŋk /ju: /

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