

Module: Phonetics  
Level: First Year LMD

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Correction of **First Term Exam in Phonetics**

**Task 1: Define briefly THREE out of the following terms.**

**(4.5 pts)**

RP, phonology, acoustic phonetics, speech mechanism, articulators, phonetics.

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2. \_\_\_\_\_  
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3. \_\_\_\_\_  
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**Task 2: Underline the most appropriate choice in these Multiple-Choice Questions (4.5pts)**

1. \_\_\_\_\_ is the study of speech production. It includes the anatomy, neurology and pathology of speech. It also includes the articulation, classification and perception of speech sounds.  
a. Vocal tract.                      b. Speech mechanism    c. Phonology                      **d. Phonetics**
2. \_\_\_\_\_ is the study of speech sounds of a given language and their function within the sound system of that language as the rules governing a particular language.  
a. Linguistics.                      b. Language                      **c. Phonology**                      d. Phonetics
3. Which of these terms refer to the study of hearing and perception of speech sounds?  
a. Articulatory phonetics    b. Acoustic phonetics    **c. Auditory phonetic**                      d. Phonetics
4. \_\_\_\_\_ is the smallest sound that can make a difference in meaning.  
**a. Phoneme**                      b. Allophone                      c. Morpheme                      d. Phone
5. The function of the vowel sound in the syllable is \_\_\_\_\_.  
a. Optional                      **b. Obligatory.**                      c. Additional.                      d. All of them
6. \_\_\_\_\_ is a transcription that represents the pronunciation of words using a simple set of symbols representing phonemes.  
**a. Phonemic transcription**    b. Aspiration                      c. Phonetic transcription    d. Phonation
7. In phonology the smallest sound unit in a given language is \_\_\_\_\_.  
a. Phoneme                      **b. Allophone**                      c. Vowel                      d. None of them
8. \_\_\_\_\_ is used to represent the spoken sounds of all the languages accurately.  
a. Orthography                      **b. International Phonetic Alphabet**    c. Symbols                      d. Sounds
9. There are \_\_\_\_\_ vowel sounds in the English language.  
a. 44                      b. 24                      **c. 20**                      d. 12

**Task 3: Classify the given words according to the pronunciation of the vowel sounds (6 points)**

1. Ski    2. Qven    3. Word    4. Double    5. Foul    6. Soul

Short vowel		Long vowel		Diphthong	
(2)	(4)	(1) Ski	(3) Word	(5) Foul	_____
Oven	Double	(6) Soul	_____	_____	_____

**Task 4: Discuss any of the following questions. (Choose only ONE) (4 pts)**

- Describe the process of speech production (*How can we make different sounds*) Give examples?
- What is the importance of phonetics in English pronunciation? (*How can phonetics improve your accent*)?
- What are the criteria for describing the English vowel sounds? (*Give four example words with transcription*)?

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\* Please mention the topic number (1, 2, or 3)