



Model Answer and Rating

PART ONE

1. Say whether these segments are true or false. Correct any that is false. (1x4)

[i] is a high front rounded vowel *false: unrounded*

[u] is low back rounded vowel *false: high*

[a] is a low front rounded vowel *false: central unrounded*

[ɑ] is a low front rounded vowel *false: back*

2. Underline the vowels, diphthongs and triphthongs in the following words and give the IPA symbols. (0.5x6)

Charge - misunderstand –potential – micro – iron – diameter

ɑ: I ʌ A E eɪEʊaɪ aɪA I E

3. Changing the voicing of a single consonant in each of the following words results in a different word. Which consonant and which word? (focus on the pronunciation).(0.5x6)

Seal/zeal

Razor /racer

Ice/eyes

Bicker/digger

Lunge/lunch

Choke/joke

4. Rewrite the ordinary spelling for the following words. (0.75x4)

/ˈkʌb.əd/	/ˈwaɪə.ləs/	/aɪl/	/ˈkʌn.tri/
cupboard	wireless	isle	country

PART TWO (no more than six lines for each question)(7 points)

1. Talk about the nature and the division of the English syllable. (3.5)

-minimal syllable; onse+peak; peak+coda; onset+peak+coda

-c cc + v + c ccc

- Division is problematic; there is no agreement among native speakers

-Illustrations

2. The pronunciation of certain consonant phonemes in English varies according to the phonetic environment. Discuss and illustrate with the phoneme /t/.(3.5)

-Define Consonant Phonemes

[[t ^h]]	tap
[[ʔ]]	Between
[[r]]	better

- Allophones are different realisations/pronunciations of a particular consonant phoneme.
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