

FIRST TERM TEST IN PHONETICS

Task 1: Answer the following questions briefly (05 points)

1. How many syllables are there in the following words:

- accomplish **Three**

- unavoidable **Five**

2. What are the weak vowels in English? Can they receive stress?

**The weak vowels are : / ə, ɪ, ʊ/ , / ə/ is never stressed ,
/ɪ, ʊ/ may receive stress.**

3. What is the difference between primary stress and secondary stress?

Pitch

4 . What are the factors realizing prominence in the stressed syllables in the following words:

-resist / rɪ 'zɪst/ **pitch and energy of articulation**

-receive / rɪ 'si:v **pitch, energy of articulation, quality and quantity**

Task 2: Spot the mistakes and correct them in the following statements (05pts)

1. The word / trans'fɔ:m/ is stressed on the second syllable because it contains more than one syllable.
a long vowel

2. The word / 'kɔlekt is stressed on the **first** syllable because it contains **a diphthong.**
final/ second **a short vowel and more**
than one consonant at the end.

3. Three-syllable simple nouns are stressed like **verbs.**
adjectives/ adverbs

4. Two- syllable simple adjectives are stressed like two syllable-simple verbs. **True**

5. The word / hɒ'l əʊ/ is stressed on the **final** syllable because it contains **a long**
vowel. **First** **/ əʊ/**

Module: Phonetics Level: Second Year LMD

Lecturer: Pr. S. CHELLI

Date:

Student's Name:

Group:

FIRST TERM TEST IN PHONETICS

Task 1: Say true or false, then correct the mistakes (05pts)

1. Sress in English is **fixed** because all the words are stressed on **the same** syllable. **False**

Stress in English is **free** because words are stressed on **different** syllables.

Or stress in English is fixed in the same words.

2. The verb develop is stressed on **the first syllable** because it contains a weak vowel. **false**

the penultimate syllable because the final syllable contains a short vowel.

3. Prominence in the stressed syllable is always realised by four factors (pitch, energy of articulation, quality and quantity). **false**

Not always. It can be realized just by pitch and energy of articulation (which are obligatory factors).

4. If the ultimate syllable in three-syllable simple nouns contains a long vowel, a diphthong or ends with more than one consonant, **it receives stress.**

.....**the stress fall on the first syllable.**

5. **All** the words in English contain a secondary stress. **False**

Task 2: (05pts)

A. **what are the syllable structures in the following words?**

1. accomplish **v/ccvc/ccvc** 2. credit **Ccv/cvc** 3.
un/for/tu/na/te/ly **vc/cv/tv/cv/cv/cv**

B. **Answer the following questions?**

1. **What do we take in consideration when marking stress**

Whether the word is simple or complex/ the number of syllables/ the category of the word/ the phonological structure of the syllable

2. **What is the difference between stress placement of two-syllable simple verbs and nouns?**

The difference is that when the verbs *final syllable contains a short vowel and ends with more than one consonants, it receives stress*, but this is not the case of nouns as they receive stress *on the first syllable*.

Module: Phonetics Level: Second Year LMD

Lecturer: Pr. S. CHELLI

Date:

Student's Name:

Group:

FIRST TERM TEST IN PHONETICS

Task 1: Say true or false, correct the false (05pts)

1. **Length** is the most efficient factor for recognizing the prominence of stressed syllable. **false**
Pitch
2. The word **opposite** contains **three** syllables. **true**
3. The noun **vaccine** is stressed on **second** syllable. **false**
first
4. If the ultimate syllable in three-syllable simple nouns contains a long vowel, a diphthong or ends with more than one consonant, **it receives stress**.
the stress falls on the first syllable
5. / **'klamɪt**/ is stressed on the first syllable because the final one contains a short vowel. **True**

Task 2: Underline the mistakes and correct them in the following statements (05pts)

1. Two syllable- simple verbs are stressed like adverbs. **True**
.....
2. All two-syllable words are stressed on the final syllable when it contains diphthongs.
Except when it contains the diphthong / əʊ/
3. Three syllable simple verbs are stressed like nouns.
adjectives/ adverbs
4. When a three-syllable simple noun ends with / əʊ/, the stress falls on the ultimate syllable.
penultimate
5. The schwa / ə/ is most of the time stressed.
never