

PHONETICS EXAM KEY ANSWERS AND SCORING

ACTIVITY ONE (5 points)

- Correct the mistakes in the following sentences.

01pts for each

1. Two-syllable-simple verbs are stressed on the final syllable when it contains a short vowel.

Long vowel, a diphthong or a short vowel and ends with more than one consonants

2. The pronunciation of the verb realize is /'rɪəlaɪz / **True**

3. Prefixes rarely affect stress placement because they are most of the time neutral.

True

4. Three-syllable simple nouns can be stressed on any syllable.

On the penultimate or the first syllable

5. The word educate /edʒu'keɪt/ is stressed on the **first syllable** because **the last syllable ends with 'ate'**. /'edʒukeɪt/

ACTIVITY TWO (4 points)

- Write the following transcribed paragraph orthographically.

/tə'mɒrəʊ wɪl bi: ə'nʌðə faɪn deɪ wɪð 'temprɪtʃəz 'ri:ʃɪŋ ðə mɪd 'twentɪz// ə bɪt ku:l 'ɜ:li ɪn ðə 'mɔ:nɪŋ wɪð sʌm 'ʃaʊəz bʌt ðɪs wɪl kliə ʌp tə'wɔ:dz mɪd- 'mɔ:nɪŋ ænd məʊst 'eərɪəz wɪl hæʋ prəʊ'lɒŋd 'sʌŋfaɪn fɔ: məʊst ɒv ðɪ 'ɑ:ftə'nu:n/ / 'wenzdeɪz nɒt 'lʊkɪŋ səʊ gʊd/ 'rɑ:ðə dʌl ænd 'əʊvəkeɪst wɪð wɪndz laɪt tu:

'mɒdərɪt ænd reɪn ænd 'drɪzl spred 'əʊvə mʌtʃ ɒv ðə saʊθ ɒv ðə 'kʌntri/

Tomorrow will be another fine day with temperatures reaching the mid-twenties, a bit cool early in the morning with some showers but this will clear up towards mid-morning and most areas will have prolonged sunshine for most of the afternoon. Wednesday's not looking so good, rather dull and overcast with winds light to moderate and rain and drizzle spread over much of the south of the country.

Turn the page ...

ACTIVITY THREE (5 points)

0.5 for each

- Mark the primary stress on the phonetic transcription of the following words.

WORD	TRANSCRIPTION	WORD	TRANSCRIPTION
1. democracy	/di'mɒkrəsi/	6. employee	/,ɛmplɔɪ' i:/
2. Transfer (verb)	/træns'fɜ:/	7. opportunity	/,ɒpə'tju:nɪti/
3. interaction	/,ɪntə'rækʃn/	8. development	/dɪ'veləpmənt/
4. arabesque	/,æərə'besk/	9. open-minded	,əʊpən- 'maɪndɪd
5. reference	/ 'refrəns /	10. greenhouse	'gri:n <u>haus</u>

ACTIVITY FOUR (6 points)

0.75 for each transcription + 0.25 for each justification

- Transcribe the following words, mark the primary stress, and justify stress placement.

WORD	TRANSCRIPTION	JUSTIFICATION
1. Opportune (adj)	/ 'ɒpətju:n/	<u>Three-syllables simple</u> adjectives are stressed on the first syllable when the last syllable contains a long vowel (exception if compared with other types of words).
2. Discipline (noun)	/ 'dɪsɪplɪn/	The stress is on the first syllable because both the ultimate and penultimate syllables contain short vowels.
3. Simplifica <u>tion</u> (noun)	,sɪmplɪfɪ'keɪʃn	The stress is on the penultimate because of the suffix ' tion '
4. Activa <u>te</u> (verb)	/ 'æktɪveɪt/	The stressed is on the antepenultimate because of the suffix ' ate '
5. Geog <u>raphy</u> (noun)	/dʒɪ'ɒgrəfi/	The stressed is on the penultimate because of the syffix ' graphy '
6. Comprom <u>ise</u> (noun)	/ 'kɒmprəmaɪz/	Three-syllable simple nouns are stressed on the first syllable when the last one contains a diphthong (exception if compared with other types of words).