BBK -- English Dialectology Qualifying Questions (based on Balogné Bérces (2009) *Beginner's English Dialectology*)

The QUALIFYING SECTION at the beginning of the test consists of fill-in exercises randomly selected from the set of questions below -- you must properly answer at least 80% (i.e., 8 out of 10) of the questions for your test to be marked further; if you do not, you fail, and the rest of your test will not be corrected/graded.

Questions*:

- 1. Standard Southern British English pronunciation is traditionally called (give both the full name and the abbreviation) ...
- 2. In this course, we refer to Standard American English pronunciation as (give both the full name and the abbreviation) ...
- 3. We refer to the pronunciation of a dialect in general as ...
- 4. The deletion of non-prevocalic /r/ is traditionally called the rule of ...
- 5. Those accents of English in which non-prevocalic /r/'s are deleted are called ...
- 6. A non-historical /r/ inserted between morphemes is called ...
- 7. The name of the sound change responsible for the difference in certain accents between the vowels in words like *hat, can* and words like *dance, can't* is ... (there are two possible answers)
- 8. In a "flat"-BATH accent words like bath are pronounced with the vowel ...
- 9. The name of the sound [r] is ...
- 10. The name of the sound [?] is ...
- 11a. The two main types of English accent are the "English" type and the ...
- 11b. The two varieties of English which do not fit into either category are ...
- 12. The major dialect boundary between the linguistic north and the linguistic south in England is called ...
- 13. The traditional dialect of Tyneside/Newcastle is called ...
- 14. The traditional dialect of Merseyside/Liverpool is called ...
- 15. The traditional working-class dialect of London is called ...

^{*} The questions are listed here in a (more or less) random order; the expected answers are single words, phonetic symbols, or short (usually, two or three-word) phrases; and there is considerable overlap between some of the questions.

- 16. In an unsplit FOOT-STRUT accent the words put, but, love, blood, look are all pronounced with ...
- 17. That part of England where unsplit FOOT-STRUT accents are found is the ...
- 18. In terms of the FOOT-STRUT variable, RP belongs to the type we call ...
- 19. In terms of the FOOT-STRUT variable, GA belongs to the type we call ...
- 20. In terms of the TRAP-BATH variable, RP belongs to the type we call ...
- 21. In terms of the TRAP-BATH variable, GA belongs to the type we call ...
- 22. A speaker for whom hart is homophonous with art exhibits the pronunciation feature called ...
- 23. As a result of Diphthong Shift, in Cockney words like *day, bay, later, prey* are pronounced with the vowel ...
- 24. As a result of Diphthong Shift, in Cockney words like *how, now, out, house* are pronounced with the vowel ... (there are two possible answers)
- 25. In several accents of English there is a difference between two types ("allophones") of /l/, one is traditionally called clear or light, the other is called ...
- 26. The process whereby a dark-L is replaced by a back (velar) rounded vowel is called ...
- 27. Glottalling (or glottal replacement) means the replacement of a /t/ by (give both the name and the symbol) ...
- 28. Initial Fricative Voicing characterises the geographical region called ...
- 29. In England Intrusive-L is found in and around the city of ...
- 30. TH-fronting means that θ as in *think* and δ as in *brother* are replaced, respectively, by ...
- 31. TH-stopping means that $/\theta/$ as in *think* and $/\delta/$ as in *brother* are replaced, respectively, by ...
- 32. The non-standard spelling fella for fellow shows that the word may undergo the process called ...
- 33. The type of slang invented by Cockney speakers in the 19th century (and still used by Londoners in general) is called ...
- 34. The variety of English whose speakers may retain the difference between words like *blue* and *blew* (i.e., no effects of Early Yod-dropping) is ...
- 35. In English dialectology, the term "Celtic countries" subsumes ...
- 36. The Celtic language spoken in parts of Scotland is called ...
- 37. The Celtic language spoken in parts of Ireland is called ... (there are two possible answers)
- 38. The collective name of the traditional rural dialects and their urban variations of English in Scotland is ...

- 39. Before the Great Vowel Shift, words like mouse were pronounced with the vowel ...
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- 41. In accents with no WH-reduction, words like *witch* are pronounced with /w/ at the beginning, while words like *which* have ... (there are two possible answers)
- 42. Aitken's Law is the alternative name of the pronunciation regularity called ...
- 43. "North American English" subsumes the varieties spoken in the countries ...
- 44. "Southern Hemisphere English" subsumes the varieties spoken in the countries ...
- 45. In our typology of the accents of the US, the non-GA accents are the ones we call ...
- 46. The name of the sound change responsible for the absence of difference in certain accents between the stressed vowels in words like *bother*, *clock* and words like *father*, *Clark* is ...
- 47. A speaker for whom *new, tune, dew* are homophonous with *gnu, toon, do*, respectively, exhibits the pronunciation feature called ...
- 48. The pronunciation feature in Canadian English responsible for the different vowels in words like *white, sight, out* and words like *wide, side, loud,* respectively, is called ...
- 49. Hyperrhoticity characterises the accent of US English which we call ...
- 50. The PIN-PEN Merger characterises the accent of US English which we call ...
- 51. Southern US English is characterised by relatively longer vowels in stressed syllables and relatively more weakening of unstressed syllables, which is traditionally called ...
- 52. The three main divisions of both Australian English and New Zealand English are called ...
- 53. The end of the shared development of BrE and AmE in the early or mid 18th century (the classical symbolical date is 1750) is traditionally referred to as the ...
- 54. In terms of rhoticity, North American English belongs to the type we call ...
- 55. In terms of rhoticity, Southern Hemisphere English belongs to the type we call ...
- 56. In terms of rhoticity, Eastern US English belongs to the type we call ...
- 57. In terms of rhoticity, Black English (AAVE) belongs to the type we call ...
- 58. In terms of rhoticity, Canadian English belongs to the type we call ...
- 59. In terms of rhoticity, Australian English belongs to the type we call ...
- 60. In terms of rhoticity, New Zealand English belongs to the type we call ...
- 61. In terms of rhoticity, South African English belongs to the type we call ...
- 62. In terms of rhoticity, Welsh English belongs to the type we call ...

- 63. In terms of rhoticity, Scottish English belongs to the type we call ...
- 64. In terms of rhoticity, Irish English belongs to the type we call \dots
- 65. The part of England which is traditionally rhotic is the ...
- 66. When a pidgin becomes the first language for certain communities, we call it a(n) ...
- 67. Pidgins and creoles are traditionally named after the prestigious European language (in our case, English), which is in general terms called ...
- 68. The other name of Melanesian Pidgin English is ...
- 69. The best-known English-based creole, spoken in the Caribbean, is ...
- 70. The acronym WAPE stands for ...
- 71. The three general speech areas where English-based pidgins and creoles are spoken are ...
- 72. The acronym AAVE stands for ...
- 73. In terms of rhoticity, RP belongs to the type we call ...
- 74. In terms of rhoticity, GA belongs to the type we call ...
- 75. The Carrot-rule does not apply in GA (as opposed to RP) in a few words such as ...
- 76. RP and GA have different pronunciations for the underlined part of *city* because GA has the rule of ...
- 77. RP and GA have different pronunciations for the underlined part of *You<u>T</u>ube* because GA has the rule of ...
- 78. Stress placement is different in RP and GA in certain words such as ...
- 79. In RP, the word ate has /e/ as its vowel, while in GA it has ...
- 80. In RP, the word *clerk* has /α:/ as its vowel, while in GA it has ...
- 81. In RP, the word leisure has /e/ as its vowel, while in GA it has ...
- 82. The RP and GA pronunciations of the word herb differ in both R-dropping and ...
- 83. In RP, the first syllable of *lieutenant* is pronounced /lef/, while in GA it is ...
- 84. In RP, the stressed syllable of either has /ai/ as its vowel, while in GA it has ...
- 85. In RP, the first syllable of schedule is pronounced /[e/, while in GA it is ...
- 86. In RP, the word *shone* has /p/ as its vowel, while in GA it has ...
- 87. In RP, the stressed syllable of *tomato* has α :/ as its vowel, while in GA it has ...
- 88. In RP, the word vase has /a:/ as its vowel, while in GA it has ...

- 89. The name of the letter Z is /zed/ in RP, while in GA it is ...
- 90. The endings -ary/ory are pronounced /e³ri/ and /ɔːri/, resp., in GA, while in RP they are pronounced ...
- 91. The word spelt axe in BrE is in AmE spelt ...
- 92. The word spelt *cheque* in BrE is in AmE spelt ...
- 93. The word spelt *draught* in BrE is in AmE spelt ...
- 94. The word spelt *gaol* in BrE is in AmE spelt ...
- 95. The word spelt grey in BrE is in AmE spelt ...
- 96. The word spelt *jewellery* in BrE is in AmE spelt ...
- 97. The word spelt kerb in BrE is in AmE spelt ...
- 98. Words spelt -our (e.g., colour) in BrE are in AmE spelt ...
- 99. Words spelt -re (e.g, centre) in BrE are in AmE spelt ...
- 100. Using *have* 'possess' as an auxiliary, e.g., *I haven't (got) a car*, is typically BrE, while in AmE it is typically used as a main verb, e.g., ...
- 101. In some cases where BrE has present perfect, esp. with adverbs like *just, already, yet, still,* AmE has ...
- 102. Certain verbs like *dream* have regular pt and ppt forms in AmE, i.e., *dreamed*, while in BrE these forms are irregular, i.e., ...
- 103. Certain verbs like *dive* have regular pt and ppt forms in BrE, i.e., *dived*, while in AmE these forms are irregular, i.e., ...
- 104. The ppt of get is got in BrE, while in AmE it is ...
- 105. In (conservative) BrE, it is possible to replace *will* (future) and *would* in first persons by (give both, resp.) ...
- 106. A phrase like *really good* has the typically AmE alternative ...
- 107. A phrase like *meet sy* has the typically AmE alternative ...
- 108. A phrase like Monday to Friday has the typically AmE alternative ...
- 109. A phrase like different from has the typically AmE alternative ...
- 110. A phrase like at the weekend has the typically AmE alternative ...
- 111. A phrase like *five past six* has the typically AmE alternative ...
- 112. The typically AmE word *cookie* corresponds in BrE to ...

- 113. The typically BrE word *maize* corresponds in AmE to ...
- 114. The typically AmE expression french fries corresponds in BrE to ...
- 115. The typically AmE word backpack corresponds in BrE to ...
- 116. The typically BrE word trousers corresponds in AmE to ...
- 117. The typically AmE word diaper corresponds in BrE to ...
- 118. The typically BrE word *flat* (noun) corresponds in AmE to ...
- 119. The typically AmE word *elevator* corresponds in BrE to ...
- 120. The typically AmE word *garbage* corresponds in BrE to ...
- 121. The typically AmE word *mortician* corresponds in BrE to ...
- 122. The typically BrE word banknote corresponds in AmE to ...
- 123. The typically AmE word *store* (noun) corresponds in BrE to ...
- 124. The typically AmE word attorney corresponds in BrE to ...
- 125. The typically BrE word *lorry* corresponds in AmE to ...
- 126. The typically BrE word underground (railway) corresponds in AmE to ...
- 127. The typically AmE word gas(oline) corresponds in BrE to ...
- 128. The typically AmE word *baggage* corresponds in BrE to ...
- 129. The typically AmE word dorm(itory) corresponds in BrE to ...
- 130. The typically BrE expression full stop (punctuation mark) corresponds in AmE to ...
- 131. The word *autumn* has the AmE alternative ...