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SECOND YEAR EXAMINATION FOR THE AWARD OF DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF EDUCATION (ARTS)

ENGL 203: PHONOLOGY OF ENGLISH

STREAMS:

TIME: 2 HOURS

DAY/DATE: FRIDAY 8/12/2017

8.30 A.M - 10.30 A.M.

INSTRUCTIONS:

- Answer **THREE** Questions in all.
- Question **ONE** is **COMPULSORY**
- Do not write anything on the question paper

1. (a) Discuss the emphasis of phonology as opposed to phonetics using examples from the English language. [10 Marks]  
(b) Distinguish between consonants and vowels with close reference to the sound system of the English language. [10 Marks]  
(c) Provide a narrow transcription of the following words and phrases. [10 Marks]
  - (i) Car keys
  - (ii) Seen
  - (iii) Given guns
  - (iv) Two
  - (v) Let me
2. Discuss the English Vowel system using appropriate examples. [20 Marks]
3. Discuss **FOUR** phonological processes using examples from the English language. [20 Marks]
4. (a) Using illustrations from the English language, define the notion 'syllable'. [4 Marks]  
(b) Clearly explain the system of syllabification of English words. [16 Marks]
5. Distinguish between obstruents and sonorants, using examples. [6 Marks]  
(b) Discuss the various realizations of the phoneme. [14 Marks]