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COURSE TITLE: INTRODUCTION TO ENGLISH PHONOLOGY

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INSTRUCTION: Answer three questions in all. Question 1 is compulsory.

Question
No.

1. Read the passage below and answer the questions that follow:

As a concerned citizen of this community, I have decided to write you this letter in order to point out a dangerous trend in our community of Bariga.

The people living in the community of Bariga are generally very dirty and they are prone to diseases because of some health hazards in our community. The first health hazard is the indiscriminate dumping of refuse everywhere. The people in my community dump refuse on the streets, highways and gutters. They litter everywhere with refuse and this is not right. The refuse dumps often cause diseases such as cholera, typhoid and tuberculosis.

Another health hazard is that of blocked drainages. The gutters and other drainage channels have been blocked with refuse, illegal erection of houses and offices. During the rainy season, we often experience floods that would cause a lot of damage to both our property and lives. Millions of naira have been washed when the flood damages physical property of people. Also, many lives have been lost in the process. Something urgent should be done to avert the tragedy.

The last health hazard is that of people fetching water from leaking pipes. Most of the water pipes that we have all passed through the gutters. Since many people at Bariga are poor, they tend to avoid buying pails of water at exorbitant prices by scooping water from the burst pipes. It is a dangerous trend because the water is usually contaminated. This often results to water-borne diseases affecting the people.

Sir, we would like you to use your good office in tackling the problems mentioned above. The refuse dumps should be cleared regularly and those dumping their refuse at unauthorized sites should be fined. The drainage systems should be regularly cleared and those who built their houses on the drainage channels should have their houses bulldozed. If all these action are taken, Bariga will be a better community for us all.

Questions

Based on Standard English pronunciation, identify the following from the passage above and indicate the lines where they are found:

- i. Five (5) words with /s/ in paragraph 1
- ii. Five (5) words /z/ from the passage
- iii. Three (3) words with /i:/ form paragraph 3
- iv. Five (5) words with /ɔ:/ from paragraph 4

v. Three (3) words /j/ in paragraph 5

vi. Two (2) words with /aɪ/ in paragraph 1

vii. One (1) word with /əʊ/ in paragraph 2

viii. Three (3) words with /ʌ/ from the passage

ix. Three (3) words /eɪ/ from the passage

1b. Using appropriate parameters, describe each of the following sounds:

/ŋ/ /ə/ /ʒ/ /ɔ:/ /ɜ:/ /ɪ/ /ʃ/ /ʊ/

/dʒ/ /f/ /ʌ/ /t/ /k/ /j/ /a:/ (24 marks)

2. Identify and discuss the parameters for describing English consonant sounds. (18 marks)

3a. Identify and explain the characteristics of a stressed syllable.

b. Discuss the components of a tone group. (18 marks)

4. Discuss THREE speech processes by which the rhythm of Standard English is achieved. (18 marks)

5. With appropriate examples, explain the grammatical, attitudinal and discourse functions of intonation. (18 marks)