

BOWEN UNIVERSITY IWO, OSUN STATE COLLEGE OF LIBERAL STUDIES ENGLISH PROGRAMME 2020/2021 FIRST SEMESTER ONLINE EXAMINATION

COURSE TITLE: ENGLISH SUPRASEGMENTALS

COURSE CODE: ENG 404

DATE: MARCH, 2021

TIME ALLOWED: 2 HOURS

INSTRUCTION: ANSWER ALL QUESTIONS

Draw syllable trees for each of these words:
 danger, unstable, anxious, discipline, narrow, beyond, bottle, bottling.

 In each case, and for each syllable, mark the onset, rhyme, nucleus and coda, and indicate any cases of ambisyllabicity. (15 marks)

2. Draw metrical S W trees for the following words:
person, personal, personality, elephant, aroma, discipline, disentanglement.
In each case, make sure that the syllable which carries main stress is dominated by S all the way up the tree. (15 marks)

3. Why do you think a phonologist need to study accent? (5 marks)

4. Briefly explain the two main differences between accents (5 marks)

5. List the three-way classification of accent differences (5 marks)

6. With copious examples, explain the stress-timed theory (5 marks)

7. Using relevant examples, explain the functions of intonation in English.
(10 marks)

8. Divide the utterances below into feet:

a. Walk down the path to the end of the canal

b. The family is a closely knitted one

c. Gender-based violence has become a major factor leading to divorce

d. Christ is the head of the church

e. Many men and women are victims of fraudsters.

(2 marks each =10 marks)