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INSTRUCTIONS: ANSWER ALL QUESTIONS

QUESTION 1

1.1 Tabulate four differences between phonetics and phonology. (4)

1.2 Make use of the following pairs of words to explain the basic requirements of a phoneme:

1.2.1 [xo l|k'a] to try and [xo l|ma] to plough

1.2.2 [s|la] and [tsh|la] (8)

1.3 Make use of suitable examples to explain phoneme norm in vowel phonemes. (5)

Classify the following sounds according to the Major Class Feature Matrix for Northern Sotho consonant phonemes:

/p/ /w/ /t/ /ʒ/ /tʃ/ (10)

(27)

QUESTION 2

2.1 Indicate the underlying tone, locative tone and the two diminutive tone patterns of the following words:

2.1.1 Letšatši

2.1.2 Phure (8)

2.2 Complete the following table to illustrate the distinctive features of the Northern Sotho vowels:

	i	ɪ	a	ɔ
High				
Mid				
Back				
Tense				

(8)

3.2 Indicate the underlying tone, locative tone and the two diminutive tone patterns of the following words

letšatši

phure (8)

QUESTION 3

3.1 Use suitable examples to distinguish between segmental and supra-segmental phonology (6)

3.3 Identify the phonological processes involved in the examples below and state the components of each process:

/tapi+ana/ -----> /tatswana/

/kobo +ana / koβzana/

/xorok'a/ / barvk'i/ (9)

3.4 Discuss the different tone patterns of the possessive pronoun (6)

3.5

QUESTION 4

4.1 Use your own examples to explain the difference between –se- occurring as a negative deficient verb form and –se occurring as a negative auxiliary verb stem. (8)

4.2 Make use of the following sentence to explain that some words are able to satisfy all four tests in order to be recognized as autonomous words:

Basetsana ba a opela lehono (8)

4.3 Use your own examples to explain the following terms:

4.3.1 morpheme

4.3.2 Auxiliary verb stem

4.3.3 Deficient verb stem

4.3.4 Verb stem

(10)

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