

Correction of the Exam Paper : Analyse Morpho-Phonologique / 2020 – 2021

1. Answering by true or false :

- a) True
- b) True
- c) False
- d) True

2. Distinctive features

- a) Voicing feature ([k] is voiceless, while [g] is voiced)
- b) Tongue advancement and lips rounding ([ʊ] is back and round, while [ɪ] is front and unround)

3. The corresponding sound(s):

- a) [ʊ, u]
- b) [ʊ]
- c) [u]

4. Grouping the following sounds into natural classes:

- [ʃ, ʒ, s, z] form a natural class of obstruents.
- [w, m, ŋ] form a natural class of sonorants.

5. The feature that changes:

- a) This type of change is known as **a vowel shift** or **vowel mutation**. Specifically, in this case, it involves a change in vowel height, moving from a high back vowel to a high front vowel. So the process in this case is called **Raising vowel harmony**.
- b) This type of change is called **assimilation**. More specifically, it is **velar assimilation**. In assimilation, a sound becomes more like a neighboring sound in terms of a particular feature. Here, /n/ assimilates to the velar place of articulation of [ŋ].