## EKSAMEN 2010 I

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## **ENG4159** Accents of English in the British Isles

Write an essay of not more than 4,000 words on ONE of the following two topics.

1. Accent variation in Scotland.

You should include in your essay a detailed account of the characteristics of both Lowland and Highland & Island accents (e.g. Hebridean) of Scottish Standard English, and then comment on the ways in which language contact situations have influenced these accents in terms of *interference* and *substratum effects*.

OR

2. Explain the structure and function of Wells' standard lexical sets and vowel-part systems in relation to his typology of accents of English, showing how they can be used to systematize the description of systemic and distributional differences between accents. In your answer you should include a discussion of the vowel systems, referring to examples from AT LEAST THREE regional accents of English studied in this course.