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Appendix 2

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APPENDIX 2

Czech Respondent 1

CZR1	Q1	Q1-other	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q5
S1	RP				easily intelligible	
S2	NearRP		the flapping and the final monophthong in "there" make it sound a bit Australian		easily intelligible	
S3	RP				easily intelligible	
S4	NearRP		An extremely closed vowel „i“ makes it sound a bit Brummy.		easily intelligible	
S5	RP				easily intelligible	
S6	RP				easily intelligible	
S7	NearRP		Deninitely a well-educated Northerner, judging by "last season".	If RP is defined by its non-regionality then this speaker displaying certain northernisms is out. Then again, other definitions say RP is an artificial, almost non-existent concept.	easily intelligible	
S8	NearRP		Slight glottalizations.	Once glottaling is accepted in RP it'll be a revolution. Or rather, will Estuary English replace RP?	easily intelligible	
S9	RP				easily intelligible	
S10	NearRP		A Northerner - „lovely“, „young“.		easily intelligible	

CZ R1	Q1	Q1-other	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q5
S11	RP				easily intelligible	
S12	RP				easily intelligible	
S13	RP				easily intelligible	
S14	NearRP		Glottalling final consonants as in „like that“		easily intelligible	
S15	NearRP		Sounding a little Welsh and sloppy (“thassit”).		easily intelligible	
S16	RP				easily intelligible	
S17	NearRP		A Northerner, judging by extremely open ashes in “back”, “language”. Educated.		easily intelligible	
S18	RP				easily intelligible	

Czech Respondent 5

CZ R5	Q1	Q1-other	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q5
S1	RP				easily intelligible	From the South. Well educated, well intelligible.
S2	NearRP		Too fast to be RP. Learner may have difficulties.		easily intelligible	Friendly, self-confident person.
S3	RP				easily intelligible	He sounds okay, ut there’s nothing special about him.
S4	NearRP		The first sound of ‘hobby’ was weird. And ‘football’ (the glottal stop and last sound was like /u/)		easily intelligible	Kind of slow, takes a long time until he gets to the point.

CZ R5	Q1	Q1-other	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q5
S5	NearRP		He pronounces very well, but sometimes swallows sounds (especially /t/) and sometimes speaks quickly.		easily intelligible	Probably coming from a low social background- but don't know why...
S6	RP				easily intelligible	Nice pronunciation, vowels and consonants, even though I would say she is from the South.
S7	NearRP		'last' is short /a/. Some other vowels also not really RP.		easily intelligible	
S8	NearRP		Talking to fast, he talks a little bit like 'whatever' and does not pronounce clearly. I think he is from London. And does not have a high degree of education. He has not been exposed to any other accents. His 'good' has a strange vowel-more like /i/		intelligible with minor difficulties	Self-confident and active person.
S9	NearRP		Way too many glottal stops 'got, get'. And /a/ in 'travelling'.		easily intelligible	
S10	NearRP		Too regional for me and does not indicate a high social status.		intelligible with minor difficulties	Wasn't easy to understand or pleasant to listen to...
S11	RP				easily intelligible	Although regional as well (Cockney, lots of glottal stops, e.g. 'highlight, it' and // more like /u/), it is much more intelligible than the previous one. Perhaps coz it's not very high tempo.

CZ R5	Q1	Q1-other	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q5
S12	RP				easily intelligible	Clear and very easily understandable accent.
S13	RP				easily intelligible	A strange mixture of uneducated things like 'time' with /oi/ and very formal diction, almost like trying hard to sound posh, ie. above his 'level'
S14	NearRP		Despite the effort of speaking with RP, her accent still sounds a bit regional (Southern). /j/ sounds quite coalesced.		easily intelligible	She seems to be from a privileged family.
S15	NearRP		Too casual for RP. Vowels and /l/ like /u/.		easily intelligible	
S16	RP				easily intelligible	The accent sounds very sophisticated and indicates a good position in society. It is also very mild.
S17	RP				intelligible with minor difficulties	Sounds correct without appearing affected or pompous.
S18	RP				easily intelligible	A young modern voice which could be too relaxed for some non-natives.

Czech Respondent 8

CZ R8	Q1	Q1-other	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q5
S1	NearRP		Regionally coloured (open „a“ in international), some glottal stops-probably Cockney		easily intelligible	
S2	NonRP		Glottal stops (much more than the first speaker, heatwave, out).	Hard to understand sometimes.	intelligible with minor difficulties	Very lazy. Lower level of education. Lower social position.
S3	RP		Northern but very easy to understand so still more rp than not.		easily intelligible	I spent three months in Newcastle and never met such a well-spoken person there
S4	NearRP			It's not individual sounds really. More the general tendency not to pronounce words properly.	intelligible with minor difficulties	Very confident.
S5	NearRP		If there are fewer glottalised „t“s then rp. And the final „i“ in family should be less prominent I think.		easily intelligible	Sounds quite posh.
S6	RP				easily intelligible	No, everything seems rp about her accent.
S7	NearRP		Northern „a“ in last and also „u“.		intelligible with minor difficulties	
S8	NearRP		Not pronouncing some vowels or endings properly (glottalized „t“ in bitten, or bite), rather causal or negligent pronunciation.		intelligible with minor difficulties	He is probably from a lower social class and the accent is thus not posh enough to be rp

CZ R8	Q1	Q1-other	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q5
S9	NonRP		The amount of glottalizations makes the voice sound a bit uneducated. Again final „i“ more like „iː“.		not easily intelligible	Sometimes really difficult to understand.
S10	RP			A bit northern I guess. But because naturalness and comprehensibility is the priority for me, I gave rp.	easily intelligible	Fast tempo and the speaker probably maintains a high-profile role.
S11	NearRP		touristy with long „o“, the vowel „u“ in good		easily intelligible	Young, active, educated.
S12	NearRP		Lengthening vowels and the rhythm of speech - pauses in sentences.	Very regional and unusual accent that is difficult to speak with.	intelligible with minor difficulties	
S13	NearRP			Almost careless pronunciation. From lower classes.	easily intelligible	He seems to be a bit nervous.
S14	NearRP		Comes from a region with a rather local pronunciation but mainly sticks to the RP rules (the exception might be occasional glottal stops)		intelligible with minor difficulties	I expect rp to sound „posher“ 😊
S15	NonRP		Very regional (many glottal stops so I guess it's Cockney: that, got). Might be less intelligible for less experienced non-native learners of the English language.		easily intelligible	Intelligent but far too regional.

CZ R8	Q1	Q1-other	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q5
S16	RP				easily intelligible	Sounds natural, very RP, more or less intelligible. It is a very upper-class accent.
S17	NonRP			Rather fast tempo and not easily intelligible. Some speech impediment?	not easily intelligible	I'm not sure about the status of this speaker.
S18	NearRP		An educated speaker that retains some features (too open vowels) that make his accent less comprehensible than rp needs.		intelligible with minor difficulties	

Czech Respondent 13

CZ R13	Q1	Q1-other	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q5
S1	NearRP		Seems southern to me. Glottal stop in market.		easily intelligible	A friendly and well-spoken person.
S2	NonRP		Many cases of glottalization too (that, about) as well as very open TRAP.	RP generally sounds more stylised and affected and this one certainly lacks any such associations.	easily intelligible	No
S3	RP				easily intelligible	Respectable person.
S4	RP				easily intelligible	Careful and thoughtful person, more RP than the previous man. Lots of hesitation.

CZR13	Q1	Q1-other	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q5
S5	NonRP		It is far too casual, for example L-vocalisation in people. Fully open TRAP vowel.		easily intelligible	No
S6	RP				easily intelligible	No
S7	NearRP		Hints of northernisms: last with short /a/.		easily intelligible	This speaker tries to RP, but he is not entirely successful. He may try to signal his high social position.
S8	NonRP		Colloquial and regional English, not so intelligible. A lot of massive reductions (glottal stop: quite) and very open TRAP.		intelligible with minor difficulties	Sounds quite working class.
S9	NonRP		A very ordinary accent and vowels not RP.		easily intelligible	No
S10	NearRP		Natural open TRAP.		easily intelligible	Speed of delivery was high. In addition I doubt he belongs to middle class or higher.
S11	NonRP		She does not sound sophisticated or cultivated at all. Frequent glottals (like in that)!		easily intelligible	No
S12	RP				easily intelligible	Definitely RP! Careful speech, quite slow. Very 'proper' and privileged accent. Difficult to see where the speaker is from but I'd say Thames Estuary (yod coalescence?).

CZ R13	Q1	Q1-other	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q5
S13	NearRP		Like number 12: yod coalescence.		easily intelligible	(Upper) Middle class.
S14	NonRP		A lot of regional giveaways, the glottal stop and even intrusive /r/. Intrusive /r/ in area of. Otherwise quite RP.	Estuary English maybe, but certainly not RP.	easily intelligible	No
S15	NearRP		A nice English accent, a touch of Estuary again (shifted diphthongs).		easily intelligible	No
S17	NearRP		Good is more like gid. A bit sloppy at times (vowels and consonants alike).	Fast tempo, less intelligible for non-natives. Must be educated but his accent does not signal that much.	easily intelligible	No posh overtones.
S18	NonRP				easily intelligible	No

Czech Respondent 14

CZ R14	Q1	Q1-other	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q5
S1	NearRP		Glottal stop in 'market' is not rp. The rest seems to be.	-	easily intelligible	An intelligible and cultivated speech.
S2	RP			Rp because I can't identify any mistakes. But it's kind of low profile rp, maybe learnt by someone from the working-class.	intelligible with minor difficulties	Fast tempo and thus somewhat hard to understand sometimes.
S3	RP		An established person with a high income.	-	easily intelligible	Clear and friendly speech.

CZR14	Q1	Q1-other	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q5
S4	NonRP		First sound in 'hobby' was just strange. 'Football' glottalized and /l/ was more like /u/, to be honest.	-	easily intelligible	Very slow. Was it a native speaker at all?
S5	RP		-	-	easily intelligible	Not cultivated much but extremely easy to understand so probably rp.
S6	NearRP		Simply the way the speaker pronounces /t/ and /r/ inserted in 'data has'.	-	intelligible with minor difficulties	Well established person.
S7	RP		'last' was short /a/ but it did not affect intelligibility at all.	-	easily intelligible	Educated person
S8	NearRP		He tended to skip groups of short words.	I think this was too fast speech to be given rp.	not easily intelligible	-
S9	RP		-	-	easily intelligible	The speaker is an educated person that got to 'wear off' their accent via their education. A bit 'posh' too.
S10	NonRP		Although it is a cultivated person (TV work), his speech is hard to understand -> Non-RP: Strange sentence stresses, vowels too open.	-	not easily intelligible	-
S11	NearRP		Easy to understand but some vowels were not quite rp: e.g. too open /a/ in 'harry' and /u/ in 'good'. Not careful enough.	-	easily intelligible	-
S12	NearRP		Strange vowels: final /e/ in 'there' and 'gradually' with /dʒ/.	I think rp should be more confident and fluent.	easily intelligible	Otherwise quite nice to listen to.

CZ R14	Q1	Q1-other	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q5
S13	NearRP		again a lot of breaks. Some glottal stops.	-	intelligible with minor difficulties	Despite some imperfections, the speaker is probably an upper class person.
S14	NearRP		-	-	easily intelligible	Quite fast but rp sounds mostly.
S15	NearRP		-	-	easily intelligible	See the previous recording.
S16	RP		-	-	easily intelligible	The closest to my idea of rp so far.
S17	NearRP			Sounds a bit regional but it is hard for me to say why (can't specify the region, maybe the north?).	intelligible with minor difficulties	She's altogether quite sophisticated and serious.
S18	RP		Some regional features (sounds like Cockney or Estuary English) like glottal stops 'get' and 'good' very much like 'i'.	-	easily intelligible	Thanks to its easy intelligibility I gave rp.

English Respondent 1

EN R1	Q1	Q1-other	Q2	Q3	Q5
S1	NearRP	We'd have to define RP- I am in the 'RP is an evolving code' camp	The /a/ of „and“ was a bit open and long, sounded more South East to me, maybe North London... Maybe also the glottal stop at end of „market“ - 'ld have expected a /t/ linking with the initial vowel	The /a/ sound in RP is shorter, pore open. At least it is in the way it's described in most books and the way I teach it. But then again, it is only a model...	
S2	RP				Regional but difficult to locate, not so up in society, yet most of it is in place
S3	NonRP		„past“ was a short front /a/ not a back open long /a/- northern (please excuse the lack of IPA fonts. Also a couple of glottal stops.		Northern, educated (university?) voice, occupies a good position
S4	RP				Educated, cultured voice
S5	NearRP		Plenty of glottal stops, e.g. at the end of „I've got“		
S6	RP				
S7	NonRP		Open front short /a/ vowel on several „last“s, /i:/ vowel on „we“ not very tense / tensing, /ei/ vowel on „place“ a bit less tensing than RP.	All a bit Northern, really... educated (same as 3?)	educated (same as 3?)
S8	NearRP		More glottal stops (even to replace a velar plosive) than RP	OK, back to the „what is RP?“ question. He's young and has a very relaxed style of speech I suppose. But too much to serve as a model of RP.	

EN R1	Q1	Q1-other	Q2	Q3	Q5
S9	NearRP		alveolar tap on „little“ - plus the word final glottal stops („that“, etc.)	alveolar tap is a bit American / relaxed English to be called an RP feature.	
S10	NearRP		front open short /a/ for „freelance“. Strut vowel a tad too closed.	A bit Northern / Midlands...	Not as posh as what people believe is RP
S11	RP				London area? Not very posh RP though.
S12	RP		I feel it's important to state that this is the way RP was spoken 20+ years ago if not more, and there's no where else I can say this. Some people still speak like this, but not very many young people - I would say anyway. So this is classic privileged RP with a posh touch.		
S13	NearRP		the diphthong in „life“ was a bit rounded...		
S14	NearRP		/i:/ in „seaside“ not tense enough, strut vowel („front“) not open enough. Lots of word final glottal stops		A bit of a mashup, this one. Maybe just relaxed RP. Not prominent social connotations.
S15	NearRP		Lots of word-final glottal stops.		A bit too relaxed for RP...but higher social position.
S16	NearRP		A few too many HRTs... Don't think that's considered RP yet :-)		

EN R1	Q1	Q1-other	Q2	Q3	Q5
S17	NearRP		Lots of RP. Nearly every TU in fact... Plus lots of glottal stops.	I don't think HRT is very RP. Plus a bit Northern. But hey, she's young and educated...	
S18	NearRP		Word-final glottal stops	OK, could call this a relaxed RP, but I still think it's too relaxed to be deemed canonical RP.	

English Respondent 2

EN R2	Q1	Q1-other	Q2	Q3	Q5
S1	RP				I guess RP though a bit regional (London)
S2	RP				
S3	NonRP		a short in last, northern u		
S4	RP				Very posh. High quality education. High social position
S5	NearRP		Many glottals		Probably educated.
S6	RP				
S7	NonRP		u in come		
S8	NearRP		Again glottals.	Southern, low class, not really an cultured accent. Too modern	
S9	RP				Some regional traces
S10	NonRP		Too northern young but educated.		
S11	RP				
S12	RP				No regional features. Public School? Slow tempo.
S13	NearRP		some vowels (time)		Social status not marked, rather low.
S14	NearRP		Glottals (like), vowels	Not the eivel of education to be RP.	

EN R2	Q1	Q1-other	Q2	Q3	Q5
S15	NearRP		good like gid		
S16	RP			Not RP (yet).	Sounds intelligent. Not fast
S17	NearRP		Northern twang	Northern twang, maybe Midlands...	Lacks the posh overtones even though upper middle class, maybe...
S18	RP				Well spoken and intelligent, a bit to modern

English Respondent 6

EN R6	Q1	Q1-other	Q2	Q3	Q5
S1	NearRP		just a couple of vowels but difficult to pinpoint		
S2	RP		not a rich background I think		rather slow but vowels and consonants in place, modern, young
S3	NonRP		vowels not in place: past and months		
S4	RP				seems well educated and middle/upper class
S5	NearRP		also educated but a few glottals make it sound less rp (than the previous one)		
S6	RP		vowel sounds (short 'a' in last and 'u' in come) show a clear regional accent though not as strong as some I have heard		quite slow but most of it is rp
S7	NonRP				a bit slow again

EN R6	Q1	Q1-other	Q2	Q3	Q5
S8	NearRP		mainstream lower class student sort of accent, london or close to london? many glottalized /t/s (bitten)		sounds friendly and fun
S9	NearRP		glottalized /t/s again (what)	someone from south-east england! Not a strong accent but definite southern emphasis, lower class?	
S10	NonRP		vowel sounds (/u/ in covering and /a/ in freelanced) indicate a northern accent that has considerably mellowed though	See above	fast speech (no surprise due to his tv career), solid position in society, accent warm and friendly, not posh like rp sometimes is
S11	RP		glottals but still young rp		unnecessary hesitations
S12	RP				highly educated, careful pronunciation, rp vowel sounds, posh accent (veeery slow)
S13	NearRP		doesn't overpronounce his vowels, some glottalization	See above	
S14	NearRP		clearly from south-east, too casual for rp, lots of glottals (lot of and like)		
S15	RP				
S16	RP		a bit regional (london) but not too much I guess		
S17	NearRP			that's a soft northern voice	he doesn't have a posh accent (to be rp)
S18	RP		another person from south-east england! not so clear and well spoken as others but lots of modern rp stuff		

English Respondent 12

EN R12	Q1	Q1-other	Q2	Q3	Q5
S1	RP				Well-spoken, expressive, articulate, intelligent
S2	NearRP		Regionless to a large extent, yet some glottals and intonation not quite RP--southern		
S3	NearRP		Also regional (the word 'months') but belongs to a person with a rather high place in society here in the North		
S4	RP				That's definitely RP! Reveals a high quality education and it's quite posh.
S5	RP				Southern RP, I'd say. A bit too casual but still more RP than not.
S6	NearRP				Clear voice lacking posh overtones
S7	NearRP		Northern, /u/ in e.g. 'come'		
S8	NearRP		His long vowels in 'France' and the way he pronounces 'good'	He's from the South of England, probably London	I'm a bit prejudiced against this accent!
S9	NearRP		Too many glottal stops to be RP.		
S10	NearRP		A slight northern accent but I can't identify the area.		
S11	RP				A rich person. Upper middle class, I'd say.
S12	RP				Posh English person with pretensions and maybe some self-dillusions of grandness. He thinks he's upper class, if not upper crust. Slow speech. Public school education, no doubt.

EN R12	Q1	Q1-other	Q2	Q3	Q5
S13	NearRP		Some /t/ dropping	careful pronunciations, maybe because of being in the Czech Republic? When speaking English to people there has to have understandable language.	Middle class.
S14	NearRP		Quite a posh southern accent. Not very cultivated though, sounds like she's putting it on.		Lower middle class or upper working class.
S15	RP				I've heard the voice here before! Southern, confident.
S16	RP				Well spoken, clear and precise. I would guess she is from a privileged family from South-East England – home counties, not London.
S17	NearRP		Northern vowels and intonation.	Sporty but from a well-off family here in the North. Lancashire?	
S18	RP				A young southern accent. Seemingly educated but maybe just putting it on.

English Respondent 16

ENR16	Q1	Q1-other	Q2	Q3	Q5
S1	RP				She knows what she wants, ambitious.
S2	NonRP		lots of T-glottaling and flapping.	Far too regional (the south) and casual.	
S3	NearRP		Regional as well. Clearly northern but a cultivated and not as causal as the previous one. Probably quite well-off despite the northern /u/.		
S4	RP		A slightly southern voice (/I/ in 'football'). But his extremely slow delivery sounds very posh.		
S5	RP				Modern variety of RP
S6	RP				
S7	NonRP		Northern /u/, sometimes even diphthongs.	regional	Friendly and cultivated.
S8	RP				Sounds young and likes having fun. Sounds also like he comes from a well-off family in the South.
S9	NonRP		Have I heard this speaker before? A bit affected, a southerner. Marked T-glottaling.		
S10	RP				He doesn't have a posh accent. Used to speaking in public. Sound as if he is not from lower classes.
S11	RP				Almost near-RP but lots of RP sounds.

ENR16	Q1	Q1-other	Q2	Q3	Q5
S12	RP				I find it very difficult to determine where he grew up. Not only wealthy, but from an upperclass background. Too pompous though and quite slow to show off his background.
S13	NearRP		Short vowels not RP (quite Midlands I think)	not cultivated enough to be RP.	A bit dull. Tries to make his life more interesting than it is.
S14	NearRP		Southern, sounds intelligent.		
S15	NearRP		Too much T-glottaling to be called RP.	Too relaxed as well and glottals	A well-off person from the South. Intelligent.
S16	RP				Her accent doesn't have any regional vowels; I couldn't say where she was from, though at a guess would put her in the south of England or the home counties. She doesn't have some of the more old-fashioned RP vowels, such as the higher /a/ in words like 'that'.
S17	NearRP		Not quite RP in terms of vowels and intonation		Sporty but intelligent
S18	NearRP		A lot of T-glottaling. /u/ in 'good' almost like /i/		

