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ABSTRACT



The purpose of this investigation is to find out regional differences of the aural perception of English phonemes among the first year students at Bensondej Teacher Training College. The measuring device is the SEAREP aural perception test in English that has one hundred items. This test was recorded on a tape recorder, and 324 students at Bensondej Teacher Training College were asked to fill out the answer sheets. Then, the writer collected all the answer sheets and classified them into four regions, the center, the North, the South, and the North-east. All scores were tabulated; statistical methods were used. And, finally, the result of this study is successful, as for the item analysis, three phonemic contrasts were missed most frequently by the C, eight by the N and NE and six by the S. Recommendation for this study is that the sample from each region should have at least 300 students, which will be suitable to be the representative of each region.

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