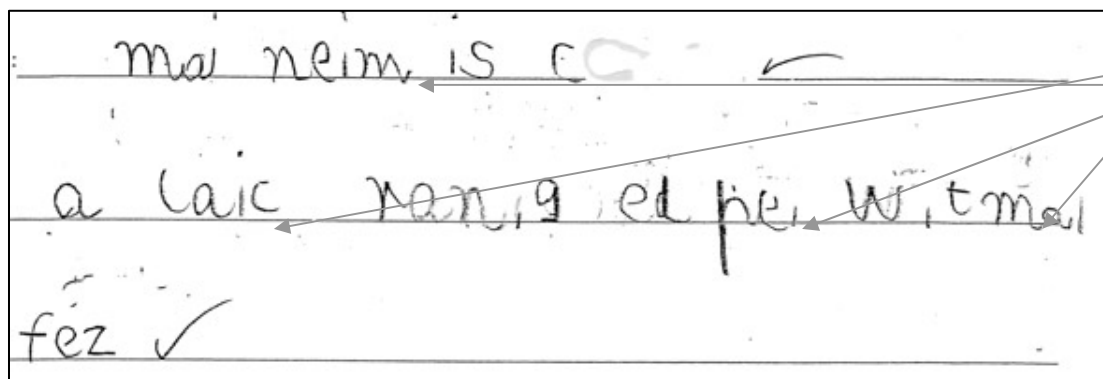


Stage A2**beginning****example 1****The student****Year Level:** Year 2**Background:** born in Italy**Language:** Italian**Schooling:** Age equivalent schooling before attending an English language school in Victoria**The task**

The student was asked to write about herself as an assessment task. The student wrote the text independently.

The text shows that the student:

uses some letter combinations in different words ('ai', 'ei')

spells words phonetically

draws on L1

writes a personal text

leaves spaces, writes left to right

writes own simple sentences

links sentences using 'and'

*My name is C... (writes name correctly in original text).
I like running and playing with my friends.*

This text is an example of a student at beginning A2. The student writes using simple sentences and uses 'and' to link ideas. The student relies on sound-letter relationships to spell words, and uses some combinations of letters to represent the same sound in different words (e.g. 'ai' in mai/my, laic/like, 'ei' in neim/name, pei/play).