Stage SL Standard example 1

The student

Year Level: 12 Year old boy

Background: Karen refugee. In Australia ~ 5

months

Language: Karen

Schooling: interrupted. Has only had 1 year

of education in the camp in Thailand

The task

Summative task at the end of several weeks' work on description. Sentences had been taught and practiced in other contexts. Students were asked to transfer these structures to describe the attributes and features of the two class fish. They were to use language of comparing, naming and defining,

The text shows that the student:

2. Describe Lucy. Compare her with Tutka. Use have got, is, can, bigger than and different pronouns.

high name Lucy har has got gills fish saaks and til her can sewim im the share has got a beautiful long that tailed lucy bigger than Thukushe ests fish bod toke have a beautiful scales.

consistently writes the same letters the same way

spells familiar simple words correctly

leaves suitable spacing between copied or written words

uses copied words or sentences to write simple messages

hish name Lucy. Her has got gills, fish scals and til. Her can swim im the rive. She has got a beautiful long tail. bigger than Thuki. she eats fish food. She has a beautiful scales.

This student, at Stage SL, can write short, grammatically-simple texts based on well-rehearsed spoken and well-practised written English. He can write simply to complete activities following models. His text uses familiar sentence patterns from well known texts or classroom models. He has begun to use conventional letter formations when writing or copying, attending to the relative sizes and shapes of letters, their position on the line, and basic punctuation. He leaves appropriate spaces between words.