Appendix 1

Sample of tutor's comments in relation to tutees' writing tasks

| | Writing task 1 | Writing task 2 | Writing task 3 |
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| Student F | ✓ No cohesive ideas. ✓ Connectors are not used to link sentences and paragraphs. ✓ Problems in the proper use of personal pronouns, the IT pronoun is usually omitted. ✓ Most of the sentences adjust to a basic structure. | ✓ A narrow range of vocabulary is evident. ✓ Excessive and careless use of the definite article THE. ✓ The ideas expressed are comprehensible, however, some of them remain ambiguous. | Some errors regarding aspects such as: ✓ Tenses. ✓ Cohesion and coherence. |
| Student H | ✓ No understanding of the proper use and differentiation between adjectives and adverbs. ✓ Spelling mistakes. ✓ Difficulty to link the sentences and select the appropriate words according to the idea to be expressed. | ✓ Difficulty to use basic tenses. ✓ Short answers are provided and there is no room for new vocabulary. | ✓ Inappropriate use of certain vocabulary. ✓ Repetitive spelling errors. ✓ Little follow-up of the instructions given. |