

Grade 3 Level 2 Writing Sample

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Student writing sample:

A fish is simmeg in a bol and the fish is sad. Down it is reaten that no fishing so that the fish is no fishing in her bol.

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The cat got the fish from the watr. The cat went down. There was no fish in the bol.

Uses some utility words (**fish, hand, bowl, cat**), descriptive words (**up**) and subject-specific words related to familiar actions, objects and topics.

Level 2: Writes nouns, verbs in simple past tense, prepositions and plurals.

Level 3: Uses nouns (**fish, bowl, cat**), verbs in irregular past tense (**came, got, went**) and present continuous (**is simmeg [swimming]**), prepositions (**in, to, from, into**), pronouns (**her**), adjectives (**scared**) and adverbs (**down**) with usage errors.

Level 2: Writes simple sentences (**There was no fish in the bowl.**).

Approaching **Level 3:** Writes simple detailed and compound sentences (**A fish is swimming in a bowl and the fish is sad.**).

Level 2: Attempts to spell familiar words.

Level 3: Invents spelling that reflects learner's own pronunciation (**reaten [written], backt [backed], watr [water]**).

Level 2: Completes patterned sentence frames with some understanding of topic, audience and purpose.

Level 3: Creates text using appropriate template to express cultural norms (**story format**). Confuses "No fishing" with idea of "no fish allowed."

Level 2: Connects words using (**and, then**).

Approaching **Level 3:** Uses some other conjunctions (**but, so**), but there's no evidence of time markers.

Edits for capitals at the beginning of sentences (**The**), periods at the end of sentences (**.**) and spelling of familiar words with some support (**the, cat, fish, from**).

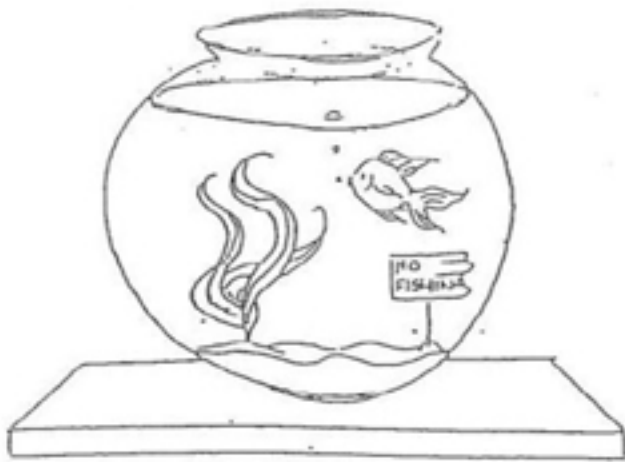
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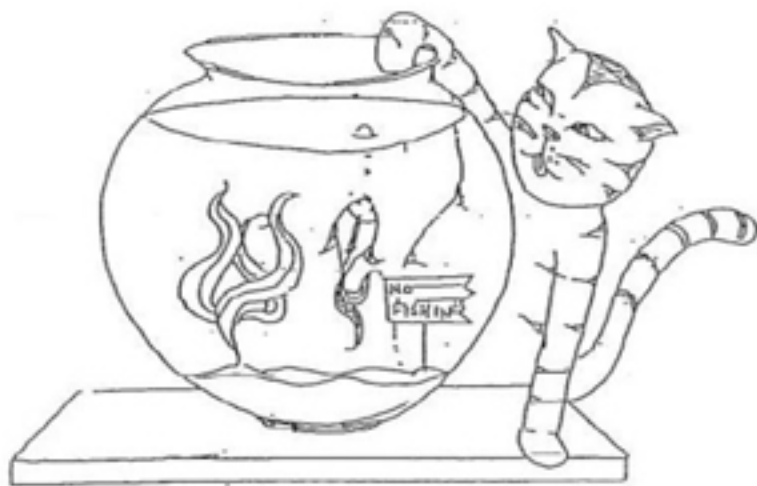
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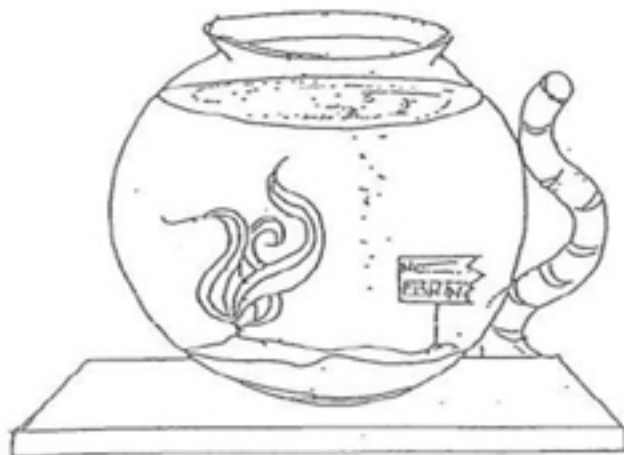
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