

Higher ESOL Writing – Everyday Life

Candidate 1

The evidence and commentary for this candidate were used within the ESOL National 5 and Higher Writing webinar in January 2025.

The candidate was awarded 5 marks, the task is achieved, however there are many grammatical errors and ideas are frequently simple.

Mark awarded: 5

Content and organisation

The candidate achieves the task with clear support for points made. Ideas are very simple, for example, 'When you are sad they can cheer your mood up', 'play football or something' Writing is coherent and cohesive and the message is generally clear. Style is simplistic, but generally appropriate. Layout and structure is clear and paragraphing mainly follows conventions.

Vocabulary and spelling

Although there is good vocabulary in places 'boom' 'lie to your face' 'betrayal never comes from your eniemies' 'talk behind your back', other vocabulary is limited, such as 'hangout with them play football or something' and not appropriate 'gained a little timber'. Spelling is mostly accurate with the exception of 'eniemies'.

Grammar and punctuation

Grammatical structures contain frequent errors, for example, many grammar words are missing 'sit beside someone talk with them' 'give you company make you laugh' 'its difficult both of you disagree on something'. Punctuation is inaccurate throughout.