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Examples should be numbered with Arabic numerals in parentheses.

(3) Kare wa besutoseraa o takusan kaite-iru he TOP best-seller ACC many write-PFV 'He has written many best-sellers.'

Please note that the interlinear gloss gets no punctuation and no high-lighting. In MS Word, The example and its gloss are lined up through the use of spaces; make sure the number of elements both lines match. If one word in language A corresponds to two words in language B use a full stop to glue the two together. Morphemes are separated by hyphens. For the abbreviations in the interlinear gloss use small caps. Consult the Leipzig Glossing Rules (https://www.eva.mpg.de/lingua/pdf/Glossing-Rules.pdf) for a list of standard abbreviations. If you use different abbreviations, add a list of abbreviations.

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	Pos	Cmpr	Sprl	
Persian	kam	kam-tar	kam-tar-in	'little'
Cimbrian	šüa	šüan-ar	šüan-ar-ste	'pretty'
Czech	mlad-ý	mlad-ší	nej-mlad-ší	'young'
Hungarian	nagy	nagy-obb	leg-nagy-obb	'big'
Latvian	zil-ais	zil-âk-ais	vis-zil-âk-ais	'blue'
Ubykh	nüs <sup>w</sup> ə	ç'a-nüs <sup>w</sup> ə	a-ç'a-nüs <sup>w</sup> ə	'pretty'

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"Hayes (1995a) has proposed to use ..."
"... if it is followed by a yer (Rubach 1993:144)."
"... (see for example Yarmohammadi 1973, and Baynham 1991), ..."
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Examples of references in the reference section: see the next section.

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#### 10. Appendixes

Appendixes should follow the References section.