

CHAT TRANSCRIPTION SYMBOL SUMMARY -- Abridged for AphasiaBank

Standard Template, change to fit each participant

@Begin

@Languages: eng

@Participants: PAR holland01a Participant, INV Margie Investigator

@ID: eng|holland|PAR|71;02.|male|Anomic||Participant||86.8|

@ID: eng|holland|INV||||Investigator||

@Media: holland01a, video

@Date: 15-MAR-2006

@G: task name (e.g., Sandwich)

*PAR: transcript goes here.

@G: task name (e.g., Umbrella)

@End

Note: In Participant ID line, the info is:

Language|Corpus|Speaker|Age|Sex|WABtype||SpeakerRole||WAB-AQ|

Basic Utterance Terminators

.	period
?	question
!	exclamation

Special Utterance Terminators

+...	trailing off
+..?	trailing off of a question
+/.	interruption by another speaker
+/?	interruption of a question by another speaker
+//.	self-interruption
+//?	self-interruption of a question
+,	self completion (after an interruption)
++	other completion (after an interruption)
+"/.	quotation follows on next line
+"	quoted utterance occurs on this line (use at beginning of utterance as link, not a terminator)
+".	material quoted on this line was preceded by quoted material on previous line
+<	lazy overlap marking (at beginning of utterance that overlapped the the previous utterance)

Utterance Termination Indicators

Syntax
Intonation
Pause
Semantics

Words

@n	neologism (e.g., sakov@n)
exclamations	common ones: ah, aw, haha, ow, oy, sh, ugh, uhoh
interjections	common ones: mhm, uhhuh, hm, uhuh
fillers	common ones: &-um, &-uh
letters	@l
letter sequence	abcdefg@k
xxx	unintelligible speech, not treated as a word
www	untranscribed material (e.g., looking through pictures, talking with spouse), must be followed by %exp tier (see below)
&+text	phonological fragment (&+sh &+w we came home)

Scoped Symbols

[: text]	target/intended word for errors (e.g., tried [: cried])
[*]	error (e.g., paraphasia -- wɛk@u [: wɛt] [*])
[/]	retracing without correction (e.g., simple repetition)
	put repeated items between <> unless only one word was repeated
[//]	retracing with correction (e.g., simple word or grammar change)
	put changed items between <> unless only one word was changed
word [x N]	word repeated N times

Local Events

&=text	simple local event and gestures (e.g., &=laughs, &=sighs, &=ges:fishing, &=head:shake, &=ges:wave)
(.)	pause between words
(..)	long pause between words
(...)	extra long pause between words
(2:13.12)	pause of 2 minutes and 13.12 seconds

Dependent Tiers

%gpx:	gestural and proxemic activity that extends through the whole sentence
%exp:	must be used following www line to explain material not transcribed (e.g., %exp: talks to spouse, %exp: looks through pictures)

Other

()	shortenings -- e.g., runnin(g) for running, (be)cause for because
underscores	for combinations such as you_know, a_lot, how_come, kind_of, of_course, as_well, all_of_a_sudden, oh_my_gosh, as_well_as

Reminders

Use caps for proper nouns and the word "I" only; do not use caps at beginning of utterances.