The student
Year Level: Year 2
Background: born in Italy
Language: Italian
Schooling: Age equivalent schooling before attending an English language school in Victoria

The task
The student was asked to write about herself as an assessment task. The student wrote the text independently.

The text shows that the student:
- uses some letter combinations in different words (‘ai’, ‘ei’)
- spells words phonetically
- draws on L1
- writes a personal text
- leaves spaces, writes left to right
- writes own simple sentences
- links sentences using ‘and’

My name is C…(writes name correctly in original text).
I like running and playing with my friends.

This text is an example of a student at beginning A2. The student writes using simple sentences and uses ‘and’ to link ideas. The student relies on sound-letter relationships to spell words, and uses some combinations of letters to represent the same sound in different words (e.g. ‘ai’ in mai/my, laic/like, ‘ei’ in neim/name, pei/play).