

## CONVERSATION ANALYSIS: TURN-TAKING MECHANISM AND POWER RELATION IN CLASSROOM SETTING

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### ABSTRACT

Institutional conversation in the classroom has been known to be fully controlled by the teacher in order to achieve specific goals of the teaching and learning process. This study aims at finding out how teachers manage the flow of classroom interaction, how students may possibly take the floor and issue about power and hierarchy between teacher-students in a teacher-fronted whole classroom interaction. The result is expected to give an overview or a reflection on how teachers encourage learning to happen by the way they use their power to manage the turn taking mechanism in a whole class interaction. The data is in the form of unscripted classroom interaction in the field of language from YouTube. Specifically, the analysis is focussed on analysing the turn-taking rules in a whole class interaction using Conversation Analysis (CA). Gesture is also one means of communication which accompanied verbal communication, and therefore to enrich the data, gestures of the participants are also taken into consideration. This study found that teacher and students turn is asymmetrical. However, teacher possesses no absolute power in term of controlling the turn-taking as students appeared to overlap the teacher's talk to take the turn and try to perform unfocalized effort to nominate themselves as the first speaker using gestures. The content of teachers' TCU indicates that the teacher tries to stimulate the students' critical thinking by posting open-ended question, and evaluates and responds students' answers by using follow-up question.

**Keywords:** *Classroom Interaction; Conversation Analysis; Power Relation; Turn Taking*

### ABSTRAK

Untuk mencapai tujuan pembelajaran, secara umum diketahui bahwa percakapan di ruang kelas dikontrol oleh guru. Penelitian ini menginvestigasi bagaimana guru mengontrol jalannya percakapan dalam diskusi kelas dan bagaimana siswa dimungkinkan untuk mendapatkan giliran dalam berbicara. Selain itu, power dan hirarki dalam interaksi di kelas juga menjadi poin lain yang menjadi fokus dalam penelitian ini. Penelitian ini menyuguhkan hasil penelitian yang didapat melalui metode analisis percakapan (Conversation Analysis). Hasil penelitian ini diharapkan dapat menjadi gambaran atau sarana refleksi tentang bagaimana guru mengatur mekanisme percakapan dalam kelas besar. Data dalam penelitian ini adalah sebuah video interaksi kelas yang diupload ke YouTube. Secara spesifik analisis akan meliputi *turn-taking rules* (mekanisme giliran berbicara) dan juga gerak tubuh yang terlibat untuk mengalokasikan dan mengambil giliran dalam berbicara. Penelitian ini menemukan bahwa interaksi guru dan siswa di kelas tidak simetris. Meskipun demikian, guru dalam penelitian ini tidak memiliki power yang absolut dalam mengontrol interaksi karena terdapat bukti dimana siswa memotong pembicaraan guru. Selain itu, siswa juga secara terbuka menunjukkan keinginannya untuk mengambil alih giliran berbicara dengan cara mengangkat tangan mereka. Isi dari TCU guru mengindikasikan bahwa guru mencoba untuk menstimulasi siswa dalam berpikir kritis dengan memberikan pertanyaan-pertanyaan terbuka dan menindaklanjuti pertanyaan tersebut berdasarkan respon atau jawaban yang diberikan oleh siswa.

**Kata Kunci:** *Analisis Percakapan; Giliran Berbicara; Hubungan Kekuasaan; Percakapan Di Ruang Kelas*

## INTRODUCTION

Talking is an activity which is typically done by more than one participant who normally performs turn-taking during the talk (Cameron, 2001). In an effective conversation, overwhelmingly one party talks at a time and speaker-change does occur accordingly (Okata, 2016; Sacks et al., 1978). This gives an idea that turn-taking organization among participants is fundamental in conversation. In conversation analysis (CA) which is coined by (Sacks et al., 1978) Transition Relevance Place (TRP) and Turn Constructional Unit (TCU) are the important parts of turn-taking organization analysis. Turns are constructed through not less than one or more than one TCUs. The end of TCU is very important because it may possibly be TRP which simply means that speaker change may occur (Cameron, 2001). Participants employ different kinds of ways to project the end of the current speaker's turns (TRP). TCU which is ended with TRP is usually complete in term of semantics, grammar, and intonation (Cameron, 2001; Sahlström, 2002). In addition, aspects of nonverbal behaviours, such as gazing to the selected participant at the end of the TCU can also be seen as a turn yielding signal (Cameron, 2001; Rossano et al., 2009) or pointing to the nominated participant (Kääntä, 2012; Mondada, 2013). In a natural conversation, turn allocation technique can be divided into two; the first turn is nominated by the current speaker and the next turn is allocated by self-selection (Sacks et al., 1978). This means if the next speaker is already chosen by the current speaker, he/she has to speak and other participants have no right to take the turn. Meanwhile, participants can self-select themselves if the next speaker has not been chosen by the current speaker. When no one is nominated by the current speaker and no one want to self-select him/herself, then current speaker can keep the turn (Ingram & Elliott, 2014).

Different from the natural conversation of which the participants' right to construct turn are mostly symmetric, turn allocation in institutional setting, such as in a classroom, especially during a lesson, is driven by the teacher. During a lesson, the teacher will be the one who decides about who can talk, when to talk, and what to talk and so the interaction's relationship is seen as asymmetrical (Garton, 2012). A number of Conversation Analysis (CA) study have been conducted in classroom setting (i.e. Evnitskaya & Berger, 2017; Garton, 2012; Mchoul, 1978; Seedhouse, 2004). One of the early and influential study done on the basis of CA was from Mchoul (1978). Based on the result of his study of the structure of turn-taking in Geography class, Mchoul (1978) developed sets of turn-taking structure between teacher and students during a lesson. According to Mchoul's (1978) rule, if the teacher acts as the current speaker, the teacher can select the next speaker. The selected student must take the turn and other students do not have the right to speak. Yet, if the teacher has not yielded the floor to the students, the teacher has to continue the turn. Students can self-select themselves, but they will need to get approval from the teacher to speak. In other words, the teacher retains his/her right as the first speaker in a whole classroom interaction. From McHoul's rules it is important for the teacher as the first speaker to be able to manage the turn taking very well as Gardner (2019) points out that one necessary condition for learning to happen is setting up participation interaction to allow joint attention.

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Research also found that opportunities to participate actively in lesson is advantageous in learning (Allwright, 2005; Walsh, 2011). For this reason, as the first speaker, teachers need to trigger the students to participate and engage in a whole class interaction by distributing the turn equally.

Nonverbal resources to manage turn allocation in classroom setting has also gain attention (Kääntä, 2012; Sahlström, 2002; Waring, 2014). In order to allocate turns to the students, Kääntä (2012) finds that teachers employ embodied actions, such as gazing, nodding head and performing hand gestures simultaneously with talk in whole class instructional interaction. Even though it is known that interaction in a classroom setting is asymmetrical (Brooks, 2016; Evnitskaya & Berger, 2017; Seedhouse, 2004), research has shown that students might also nominate themselves to take the turn (Kääntä, 2012; Sahlström, 2002; Waring, 2014). In multiparty institutional setting such as classroom, various multimodal actions might involve to enrich the interaction. It is undeniable that hand raising is a quite observable movement to indicate the students' willingness to take the turn. Sahlström (2002) conducted a research about hand-raising in classroom interaction and found that in general, students raise their hands at the teacher's turn or at the end of the teacher's TCU which is accurately projected as TRP to indicate their willingness to take the turn without disturbing the teacher's turn. However, Sahlström (2002) underlines that the teacher's TCUs tend to be shorter when the students raise their hands while the teacher is speaking. These studies imply that students do influence teachers' next speaker selection. However, apparently teacher is not always yield the floor to the students who raised their hands as in Waring (2014) study, it is found that teachers sometimes "bypass" students' non-verbal bid such as hand raising to involve non-bidding students.

Apart from being responsible to manage the turn allocation, teachers' power may also visible through the structure of classroom talk between teacher and student. Brooks (2016) found an evidence that in a face to face classroom interaction, teacher maintains certain power structures over class discussion. She found evidence that teacher acts as "Questioner" who continuously throws questions and evaluates students' response. This finding correlates to Mehan (1979) in Brooks, (2016) teacher-students classroom interaction patterns: IRE (Initiation, Response, Evaluation) or IRF (Initiation, Response, Feedback) pattern. Not only shown by spoken discourse, teacher's power is also embodied in the spatial arrangement of a classroom in which the teacher has the absolute right to stand and move around the classroom while others can only do that when they are told by the teacher also reflect that the teacher has greater participation's right than the students (Mchoul, 1978).

Even though previous researches have examined teacher-students interaction during teacher-fronted classroom time, none of it discussed about the turn taking mechanism of the interaction in detailed, covering the approximate length or the characteristics of the teacher and students TCU, either when they took turn after being appointed or when they overlapped each other speech. In addition, this study also interested in examining the power and hierarchy in classroom interaction through the turn taking mechanism and the content of teacher's TCU and students' TCU. This becomes important to give overview or reflection on how should teachers encourage learning to happen by the way they utilize their power to manage the turn taking mechanism in a whole class interaction. In short, I seek to answer these following

research questions.

1. What is the turn-taking patterns of the teacher-students interaction during teacher-fronted classroom time under investigation of this study; including how the teacher signals the turn allocation and how the students indicate their intention to take the turn, and the length of the students TCU when they take turn after/without being nominated?
2. How power and hierarchy are being represented in the teacher-fronted classroom interaction under investigation of this study as representing by the content of teacher's TCU and students' TCU?

## **METHOD**

The data used for this study is unscripted classroom interaction video recording which was uploaded by Wakefield (2010) on YouTube at the following URL <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tAz7TD02ytU>. The total duration of the video is 9.59, but only approximately the first 6 minutes of the video was transcribed. The stretch of interaction under study begins at 0.01 and ends at 6.17. In this video, there was one female teacher engaged in a whole class interaction with approximately 17 students. Due to privacy reason, all identified names mentioned in the video were converted into pseudonym. From the video, the teacher circulated around the classroom while delivering teachers talk, whereas, the students sat on their seats. They learned and discussed about the meaning of some words and the root of words which were related to a language class genre.

The YouTube video was converted to a WAV file and exported to ELAN; a computer software to transcribe and annotate audio recording (*ELAN (Version 4.9.4)*, 2016). The teacher's hand gestures when allocating the turn, such as pointing hand, and also the students' gesture, such as hand-raising are recorded in the transcription. Following Kääntä (2012), in the transcription, the gestures were written in between wavy brackets ({...}). Additionally, in an attempt to indicate the time when the hand gestures were performed, the explanation of the gesture was written underneath the stretch of speech which was produced at the same time as the occurrence of the hand gesture (see Appendix 1 for the complete key of the transcription convention).

CA (Conversation Analysis) coined by (Sacks et al., 1978) is applied in order to find the turn-taking's rule of the data under investigation. The Turn Constructional Unit (TCU) and the Transition Relevance Place (TRP) are analysed based on CA theory by focussing on the speaker's intonation (raising or falling), how the speakers yielded the floor to other speakers, how the speakers nominated themselves to take the turn, the content of the speakers' TCU and also the words that the speakers used to manage the turn allocation. All of these aspects were recorded in a detailed transcription (see Appendix 2 for the full transcription). In addition to the verbal cues performed by the speakers, the physical turn-taking regulating signals such as hand raising performed by the participants were also examined to reveal the teacher's way in allocating the turn and the student's strategies to perform turn-taking initiation.

## FINDINGS

### Turn-Taking Pattern

Six extracts along with the explanation are presented to reveal the general turn-taking rule of the investigated classroom interaction. Extract 1 and 2 are the examples of the most occurring turn-taking patterns. Extract 3, 4, 5, and 6 are the examples of the less occurring turn-taking patterns. From the presented Extracts, the overall rule is summarized at the end of this point.

#### Extract 1

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014 Teacher:      our your skill are great:, what else:.
015                                     {three
016 students raised their hands}
017 Teacher:      Kristen{teacher pointing at Kristen}
018               (.)
019 Kristen (S):  [because we keep on practising.]
020               [{Some other students
021               still put their hands up}]
022               (0.1)
023 Teacher:      [you keep on
pra::ctising
024               feno:menal: let's look at the next
box:(0.2)look at 025               the purple]
026               [{some students still
put
027               their hands up}]
028               [[box(.)]
029               [{students' hands down}]

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In Extract 1 (line 15), there are three students directly raising their hands at the completion of the teacher's TCU (line 14). This TRP can be accurately projected since the teacher clearly yields the floor by using the word "what" to pose a question to the students. Additionally, she lengthens the final syllable and drops the intonation a little bit at the end of her TCU (line 014). However, the students do not directly take the floor, they raise their hands until the teacher nominates the next speaker in line 017 by mentioning a student's name and pointing at the student. Then, the nominated student takes the floor by answering the teacher question. When the nominated student is speaking in line 019, the other students still indicate their intention to speak by raising their hands, but after the nominated student completed his TCU as indicated by the falling intonation, after 0.1 second gap the teacher self-selected herself to take the turn and produce stretch of speech in lines 023, 024, 025, and 028; she ignores the students' signals to take the turn until the students put their hands down in line 029. Other examples of this pattern can be found in Appendix 2, specifically, lines 050-062, lines 097-105, lines 151-168, lines 250-261.

#### Extract 2

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215 Teacher:      what does it mean to struggle[ who knows the
word]
216                                     [{students put their
217 hands up}]

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218 (0.8)  
219 Teacher: Kim [would] you like to share out with us?  
220 [{students' hands down}]  
221 (0.8)  
222 Kim (S): like em if somebody like is grabbing you like  
like em  
223 (0.5)when you are struggling to get  
something(0.2) 224 °you pull really hard trying to  
get it°  
225 (0.1)

Extract 2 (line 219) shows that the teacher nominates the next speaker by only mentioning a student's name without gesture. After the next speaker is chosen, other students withdraw their hands (line 220) and the nominated student takes the turn (lines 222-225) without any interruption. Generally, during the 6 minutes whole class interaction, there is no evidence of students interrupting the nominated student's turn (see Appendix 2, specifically lines 233-242 and lines 281-290 for other examples which are the same as Extract 2).

#### Extract 3

083 Teacher: what is that mean to be a little bit lauder  
when 084 we speaking;  
085 Whole class: Conviction

#### Extract 4

106 Teacher: I make something special for you: and because  
it's  
107 special do you think that I'm I give the same  
108 present(0.1)to[everybody?  
109 [{some students put their hands  
up}]  
110 Students: [yes] ((calling out))  
111 Students: [No] ((calling out))

#### Extract 5

135 Teacher: is something that is important to Georgina  
136 important to everybody?  
137 (0.3)  
138 Student 3: NO ((calling out))

Extract 3, 4, and 5 show that in some parts of the interaction, the students do not wait until being nominated by the teacher to take the turn. In these examples, instead of raising their hands and waiting to be nominated, the students are calling out (Extract 3 line 085, Extract 4 lines 110-111, Extract 5 line 138). However, they do not overlap the teacher's speech. They call out at the end of the teacher's TCUs'. Extract 3 lines 083-084, extract 4 lines 106-108 and extract 5 lines 135-136 indicate that the teachers produce grammatically and syntactically complete TCUs with rising intonation. Additionally, the teacher also clearly yielding the floor to the students by posing questions to the students by using question words; *what* (line 083), *do* (107), and *is* (line

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135). It is worth noting that the students' TCUs (lines 085, 110, 111, 138) only consist of one word.

Another example of the same pattern as these three Extracts can be found in Appendix 1, lines 275-278. In other parts of the interaction, there are also evidences off some students who call out and produce TCUs' consisting of two or three words (see full transcription in Appendix 2, specifically lines 113-115 and lines 202-207).

#### Extract 6

006 Teacher: the team is amai:zing you guys win every weekend:  
007 (0.3)bike::s,=  
008 Gamelon (S): = our[skill]  
009 Teacher: [your]  
010 {Teacher pointing at Gamelon}  
011 (0.5)  
012 Gamelon (S): our skill are good cause we(0.1) cause we  
013 keep yea\_(0.1)our skill are good.

In Extract 6, Gamelon (student) self-selects himself by calling out before the teacher completely finishes her turn (line 008). Line 007 shows that the teacher's TCU is in continuing intonation. This indicates that the teacher wants to continue her turn. Besides, the overlapping speech between the teacher and Gamelon (lines 008 and 009) shows that the teacher actually has not quite finished her turn. Yet, since Gamelon has already initiated to take the turn, the teacher then finally yielding the floor and clearly nominating Gamelon as the next speaker by pointing at him (line 010). After being clearly nominated to take the floor, Gamelon produces longer TCU (lines 012-013).

Through the full transcript in Appendix 1, it is noticeable that the overlapping speeches between participants do not happen frequently. However, the participants' speeches are sometimes overlapping with the other participants' hand gestures. For instance, other students put their hands up when one student is having his/her turn (Appendix 1 lines 019-022) and students put their hands up to show their initiation to answer the teacher's question before the teacher finishes her turn (see Appendix 2 lines 014, 023- 027, 050-053, 215, 069-071).

Drawing from the explanations above, the summary of the turn-taking rule is as the following.

1. The teacher clearly nominated the next speaker either by mentioning the next speaker's name or pointing at the next speaker or even both.
2. Overwhelmingly students put their hands up to indicate their initiation to take the turn and wait until being nominated.
3. When the nominated speaker is speaking, other participants do not orally interrupt.
4. Overwhelmingly one party speaks at a time; overlapping mostly occurs between the current speaker's speech and the other participants' hand gestures.
5. Students also take the turn without being nominated by the teacher, but they only produce short TCU consisting of one to three words. Mostly, they always do that at the end of the teacher's TCU when the teacher is clearly yielding the floor by posing questions.
6. There is one interactional evidence found which is deviating rule number 5; student takes the turn before the teacher completely finishes her turn. When this happened,

- the teacher stopped speaking and let the student took the floor.
7. The students TCUs are longer (consisting of more than 3 words in one string of TCU) when they are nominated by the teacher to take the floor.

### Participants' Power Relation in Classroom Interaction

From the finding in point 4.1, the teacher power is obviously higher than the students; the teacher does not need to compete with the students to take the turn and the teacher is the one who allocates the turn. Additionally, from the data, it is evident that the content of the students' TCUs is always about answering the teacher's question which are mostly in the form of open-ended question (See Extract 7).

#### Extract 7

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255 Teacher:      what do you think [Angelica?]  
256                                     [{Teacher pointed at Angelica}]  
257                 ((other students' hands down))  
258                 (0.1)  
259 Angelica (S):<like if you struggling on your Ma:th>(0.1  
)<somebody  
260                 can help you>  
261                 (0.3)  
262 Teacher:      what would that me:an; that's that's an interesting  
263                 one in fact I lo:ve how she's thinking class I like  
264                 how she's thinking↓
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Line 255, shows that the teacher yields the floor by posing a question and directly mentioning the name of the next speaker who is responsible to take the floor. Then, the next speaker's answering the question without posing another question to the teacher (see line 259, Extract 7). After the students completed their TCUs, the teacher directly takes the turn and evaluates the student's answer by saying: "...that's an interesting one...I love how she's thinking..." (Extract 7 lines 261, 263). The teacher's evaluating the students' answer several times (see Appendix 1 line 080, lines 283-284 for other examples of teacher's evaluation). Yet, there is no evidence in the data which shows that the students also evaluating the teacher's statement. This shows that in the classroom under study, the teacher has prerogative right in the interaction to evaluate the other participants. It means the teacher has more power in the interaction.

### DISCUSSION

The finding shows that the teacher appears to be the main speaker which allocate the turn and maintain the effectiveness of the teacher-students interaction. It agrees with Okata's (2016) (Sacks et al.'s (1978) findings that in a usual and effective conversation, overwhelmingly, there is only one party speaks at a time. In addition, the majority of classroom interaction in this study follows the rules of turn-taking outlined by Mchoul (1978) in which the teacher mainly acts as the main speaker who has the prerogative right to take the turn, continue the turn and/or select the next speaker, whereas the students as the teacher's interlocutors only take the turn when they are nominated. However, there are some interactional contexts where the turn taking's structure alters to that of McHoul's (1978) rule, specifically when one student self-selects himself and call out before the teacher finishes her turn, resulting in overlapping speech between them.



When this condition happened though, students do not produce a long string of speech, they only produce sort TCU consisting of less than three words. Yet, given that the teacher directly stopped speaking and yielded the floor to that particular student implies that student may also possess power in classroom interaction. According to Sidelinger, Bolen, Frisby, & McMullen (2012), students may affect instructor's behaviours in classroom interaction.

The same as (Brooks, 2016), this study found that the teacher continually asks questions to the students, and then provide evaluation to the students' answer. This means, in term of the conversation content, the interactions form IRE (Initiation, Response, Evaluation) pattern of which the teacher initiates the question, the students respond to the question, and lastly the teacher evaluates the students answer. In this study, there is no evidence of students evaluate the teacher's answers, and therefore it seems that there is power difference between teacher and student. In (Brooks, 2016), the teacher only asks quiz type question of which the answer is set and known by the teacher, whereas in this study the teacher appeared to ask many open-ended questions that allow students to explore their knowledge. Then, the teacher provides constructive feedback to encourage the students elaborate their answers. This inquiry style in my opinion does not place the teacher as the "know all" and put the students as "without knowledge". This condition has lessened a social divide between teacher and students as the students gain more valued and power in class.

Besides, the data also shows that although the students are most likely wait to be nominated to speak, the fact that they still do *unvocalized* attempt to take the turn by raising their hands even before the teacher finishing her speech may indicate that students also have power in the interaction even though their power is not as high as the teacher. In other words, I would say that in this study the power of the teacher in managing the turn-taking mechanism is not absolute. To a certain point that students can still show their desire to be the speaker and take the turn by raising their hands and can call out their answer before being nominated.

As found in this study, teacher could mitigate the social distance between teacher and students by encouraging students to nominate themselves and exposing students with an open-ended question. By doing so students will have more freedom to talk in class and express their idea. To value the students' answer, the teacher could give feedback or develop follow up question according to the students answer, and therefore the students are forced to think critically based on the stimulation given by the teacher. By doing so, the students could be prepared to answer the 21<sup>st</sup> century learning requirement which is explained by Ansori (2019) as having to be academically competent, critical, and able to communicate their voice.

## CONCLUSION

To conclude this article, several important points are summarized in the following. The interaction between teacher and students in the data is mostly asymmetrical; the teacher acts as the first speaker who manages the turn-taking system. She nominated the next speaker by either employing hand gestures or by directly mentioning the students' name or by mentioning the student's name while also pointing at the nominated student. The teacher has higher power than the students as shown by the fact that teacher is the one who ask question and evaluate the respond. Yet, it is

worth noting that in the turn-taking mechanism, the power of the teacher is not absolute as there are some evident in which the student overlapping the teacher's speech and calling out before being nominated. Besides, the fact that the students are allowed to show their eagerness to take the turn by raising their hands is also one evident that students also possess power in the interaction. This study, however, does not include the analysis of silent; pauses or gaps of the classroom interaction under investigation, whereas silent may also affect the turn-taking patterns between participants. Thus, future study can be conducted to examine pauses or gaps in classroom interaction.

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## APPENDIX 1

### Transcription Key

:	speaker identity/ start of turn
[ ]	overlapping talk & overlapping talk with gesture of the participants
{ }	description of gesture
=	latching
(.)	micropause less than 0.1
◦ ◦	speech that is noticeably quieter than surrounding speech
↓	falls pitch
↑	raises pitch
→	Arrow beside speaker names indicates lines of analytic focus
.	Falling intonation or final intonation
,	continuing intonation
?	rising intonation, question
¿	low rise intonation; stronger than comma but weaker than question mark.
_:	inflected falling intonation
¡:	inflected rising intonation
< >	the stretch of talk in between is markedly slowed
(( ))	transcriber comment
( )	empty parentheses indicates no hearing is possible
<u>word</u>	underlining to indicate stressed in some part of the words
WORD	capital letter indicates loudness than the surrounding talk

## APPENDIX 2

### Full Transcription

001 ((Students raise their hands))  
002 Teacher: [Ga:melon.]  
003 [{pointing at Gamelon}]  
004 (3.9)  
005 Gamelon (S): the\_ you say,  
006 Teacher: the team is amai:zing you guys win every  
weekend:  
007 (0.3)bike::s,=  
008 Cameron (S): =our [skill]  
009 Teacher: [your]  
010 [{teacher pointing her hand at  
Gamelon}]  
011 (0.5)  
012 Cameron (S): =[our skill] are good cause we (0.1)  
cause we  
013 keep yea\_(0.1)our skill are good.  
014 Teacher: our your skill are great:, what [else:.  
015  
{3 students  
016 raised their hands}  
017 Teacher: Kristen{teacher pointing at Kristen}  
018 (.)  
019 Kristen (S): [because we keep on practising.]  
020 [{Some other students  
021 still put their hands up}]  
022 (0.1)  
023 Teacher: [you keep on  
pra::ctising  
024 feno:menal\_: let's look at the next  
box:(0.2)look at 025 the purple]  
026 [{some  
students still put  
027 their hands up}]  
028 [[box(.)]  
029 [{students' hands down}]  
030 What is the next word [that is down  
there.]  
031 [{students raise  
their hands}]  
032 (2.4)  
033 Teacher: [yes]  
034 [{pointing at student 1}]  
035 [{other students' hands down}]  
036 (0.5)  
037 Student 1: whereċ  
038 (0.7)  
039 Teacher: right here,  
040 (0.5)  
041 Teacher: put your finger on it pli::s:

042 (0.4)  
043 Teacher: I need the tracking finger [going]  
044 Student 1: [°spes] spes  
spes°  
045 Teacher: °spe:cial°,  
046 Student 1: °special°  
047 (2.6)  
048 Teacher: specially,  
049 1.5)  
050 Teacher: Specially what do we think that sounds  
like what is  
051 that root word in [there?  
052 [{some students raise  
053 their hands}]  
054 (0.1)  
055 Teacher: [Ms. Tiggins told you about root words  
what is the  
056 root word that will be in specially?]  
057 [{students keep raising their hands}]  
058 (0.4)  
059 Teacher: yes.=  
060 ={teacher pointing at Hermione} [other  
students 061 put their hands down]  
062 (0.7)  
063 ((Students start to raise their hands  
when the 064 teacher said, "there", in  
line 051 and they keep on  
065 raising their hands until the teacher  
said, "yes",  
066 in line 059)  
067 Hermione (S): Special.  
068 (0.5)  
069 Teacher: spe:cial:(0.4)what is that [mean to be  
special]  
070 [one student,  
not  
071 Georgina, raises his hand}]  
072 Georgina?=  
073 ={the student's hand down}  
074 (0.5)  
075 Georgina (S): °It means to be something it means to be  
something it 076 means to be something that you  
very very like and  
077 important°  
078 (0.5)  
079 Teacher: something that you lai:k a lo:t and is  
important to  
080 you excellent (0.1)next time let's try  
just a little 081 bit more la::ud.  
082 (0.5)  
083 what is that mean to be a little bit  
lauder when 084 we speaking;  
085 Whole class: Conviction

086 Teacher: Thank you↓ we need to speak with  
conviction I can't 087 barely hear you now Ms.  
Tiggins is oold ( ) of  
088 hearing:(0.2) I can't hear you if I'm over  
here  
089 okay,(0.4)she se::d(0.7)tha::t (0.3)to be  
090 special(0.4) mean you ( ) it was really  
important to  
091 you:(0.6)and it was ve:ry it was something  
that you  
092 like the whole lot(0.1) so something is  
093 specially(0.7)specially mai::d  
(0.2)specially  
094 mei:d (0.3) Ms. Tiggin specially meid  
095 present for each of her students↓  
096 (0.9)  
097 Teacher: What do you think that[means?]  
098 [Students raise  
their hands}}  
099 (1.6)  
100 Teacher: [yes Omari]  
101 [pointing at Omari}} students' hands  
102 down}  
103 (0.5)  
104 Omari (S): <I:: thi:nk it me::ans you: make  
something special>  
105 (0.5)  
106 Teacher: I make something special for you: and  
because it's  
107 special do you think that I'm I give the  
same  
108 present(0.1)to[ everybody?  
109 [students put their hands  
up}}  
110 Some students: [yes] ((calling out))  
111 Some other Students: [No] ((calling out))  
112 (0.3)  
113 Teacher: ma:ybe↓  
114 (0.8)  
115 Student 2: YES YES MAYBE ((Student 2 calls out))  
116 (0.4)  
117 Teacher: Who thinks no?=  
118 =students raise their hands}  
119 (2.3)  
120 Teacher: [Kaitrin [why not?]]  
121 [Teacher pointing at Kaitrin]]  
122 [other students' hands down]]  
123 (2.1)  
124 Teacher: Why do you think no?  
125 (2.4)  
126 Teacher: <something specially mai:d↓>  
127 (0.5)  
128 Teacher: will I give the same thing to everybody?

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129 (0.1)  
 130 Teacher: If- cause this is important,  
 131 (0.3)  
 132 Teacher: Georgina told us that if something is  
 special to you  
 133 it's important to you  
 134 (0.2)  
 135 Teacher: is something that is important to  
 Georgina important  
 136 to everybody?  
 137 (0.3)  
 138 Student 3: NO ((calling out))  
 139 (1.3)  
 140 Teacher: Georgina might have: (0.2) what is your  
 favourite  
 141 animal at home(0.2)your favourite ( - -  
 )  
 142 (2.3)  
 143 Hermione (S): ((inaudible, Georgina says something  
 softly))  
 144 (0.1)  
 145 Teacher: I can't hear you  
 146 (0.8)  
 147 Hermione (S): my dog  
 148 (0.2)  
 149 Teacher: your do::g  
 150 (0.6)  
 151 Teacher: What is [something that really your  
 favourite  
 152 favourite toy ever:]  
 153 [{some students raise their  
 hands}]  
 154 Teacher: [Draka:y.]  
 155 [{teacher pointing at Grakay}] ((other  
 students' 156 hands down))  
 157 (0.1)  
 158 Grakay (S): parrot  
 159 (0.5)  
 160 Teacher: your [pa:rrot,]  
 161 [{students raise their hands}]  
 162 (0.1)  
 163 Teacher: What's your favourite toy [Macy?]  
 164 [{Teacher  
 pointing at Macy,  
 165 other students' hands' down}]  
 166 Macy (S): ( ) ((inaudible))  
 167 (2.0)  
 168 Teacher: your ( ) baby toy now (0.5)  
 169 do you think↓ (0.9)that if Ms Tiggens make  
 something  
 170 specially ma:de for each of you that it  
 will be the  
 171 same thing:

172 (1.1)  
173 Teacher: will they all be different things or will  
they all be  
174 the same;  
175 (0.1)  
176 Whole class different  
177 (0.1)  
178 Teacher: they're all different.  
179 (0.1)  
180 Teacher: they're all different and they're all  
important to  
181 you for different reason↓  
182 (0.1)  
183 Teacher: so they're all specially ma:de↓  
184 (0.2)  
185 Teacher: now, (0.7) let's think about this: (0.4)  
186 If I specially made a special food for  
you gu:ys↓  
187 (0.1)  
188 Teacher: I specially mai:d bro::wnies (0.2) for  
Ms Tiggens's  
189 cla:ss (1.0) <specially made brownies for  
Ms Tiggens 190 cla::ss.>  
191 (0.9)  
192 Teacher: what do you think↓  
193 (1.4)  
194 Teacher: about these brownies do you think  
they're gonna be  
195 the same brownies with Ms ( \_ \_ \_ )  
class kids:  
196 (1.5){  
197 Teacher: [why: not?]  
198 [{teacher pointed at student 4}]  
199 (0.5)  
200 Student 4: <because some brownies are different>  
201 (0.1)  
202 Teacher: some brownies are different and the  
brownies our  
203 class has: (0.5) because they are  
specially made (0.5)  
204 means that important to who? Ms ( )  
class or our  
205 class?  
206 (0.3)  
207 Whole class our class ((calling out))  
208 (0.2)  
209 Teacher: exa::ctly,  
210 (0.1)  
211 Teacher: let's look at the next word  
212 (0.6)  
213 Teacher: struggle  
214 (0.6)



215 Teacher: what does it mean to struggle[ who knows  
the word  
216 [students  
put their  
217 hands up}}  
218 (0.8)  
219 Teacher: Kim [would] you like to share out with  
us?  
220 [students' hands down}}  
221 (0.8)  
222 Kim (S): like em if somebody like is grabbing you  
223 (0.5)when you are struggling to get  
something(0.2) 224 °you pull really hard  
trying to get it°  
225 (0.1)  
226 Teacher: so you're trying your best.  
227 (0.2)  
228 Teacher: I heard some keywords there↓ try your  
229 best(0.3)you're  
230 trying to get awa:y (0.1) you're working  
really  
231 ha:rd.  
232 (0.2)  
233 Teacher: what else do we know about srugling?=  
234 =students put their hands  
up}  
235 Teacher: you're struggle on football Theon  
236 (0.2)when someone trying to tackle  
you(0.3)  
237 Teacher: tell me [why]  
238 [other students' hands down}}  
239 (0.3)  
240 Teacher: what's going on.  
241 4.6)  
242 Theon (S): °so I can break out the I can break out  
the tackle°  
243 Teacher: Can you speak a bit lauder I can't  
barely hear you  
244 (0.2)  
245 Theon (S): so I can break out the tackle and get  
detached down  
246 (0.1)  
247 Teacher: so you can break out the ta:ckle and get  
detach  
248 down↓  
249 (0.2)  
250 Teacher: [I'am hearing a thing here(0.4)I'm  
hearing  
251 something that sounds like like you're  
252 trying to get away from something↓]  
253 [students' rais their hands}}  
254 (0.3)

255 Teacher: what do you think [Angelica?]  
256 [Teacher pointed at  
Angelica}] 257 ((other students' hands  
down) )  
258 (0.1)  
259 Angelica (S): <like if you struggling on your  
Ma:th>(0.1)<somebody  
260 can help you>  
261 (0.3)  
262 Teacher: what would that me:an: that's that's an  
interesting  
263 one in fact I lo:ve how she's thinking  
class I like  
264 how she's thinking↓  
265 (0.3)  
266 Whole class we think is great  
267 (0.1)  
268 Teacher: It is great you know what↑  
269 (0.4)  
270 Teacher: because they say that you're struggling  
like you're  
271 movin (0.2)somebody holding on to your  
body right?  
272 (0.1)  
273 Some students: yes  
274 (0.1)  
275 Teacher: she said that you're struggling with Math  
can Math  
276 hold on to your body?  
277 (0.1)  
278 Whole class: no  
279 Teacher: Math cannot hold on to your body↓  
280 (0.2)  
281 Teacher: but how could you be struggling in  
Ma:th↓  
282 (0.6)  
283 Teacher: what does it mean Angelica↑ I like where  
you going  
284 with this I think it's right he:re I think  
you got it  
285 (0.1)  
286 Teacher: what does it mean to struggle in Math?  
287 (0.5)  
288 Angelica (S): <°it means like(0.1)if you stuck on  
something  
289 (0.1)you don't know what's the  
answer(0.1)you can get  
290 help from somebody°>  
291 Teacher: would you mind saying that a little bit  
louder with  
292 conviction first because everybody in  
here need to

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293		hear you (0.1) come on a little bit
lauder with		
294		conviction
295		(0.4)
296 Angelica (S):		if you stuck on something on your ma:th
and you		
297		don't know what's the answer you you want
to get some		
298		help from somebody
399		(0.2)
300 Teacher:		if you stuck on something like your
Ma::th		
301		(0.3)it might mean that you don't know
the a:nswer	302	and you need to get help
from somebody(0.4)so you	303	might have
private tutoring session		