Summary of SALT Transcription Conventions: For Written Language

Misspellings [S] Mark misspellings for analysis of vocabulary, language and spelling skills.	[S]- spelling error Misspelling|correct spelling[S] Example: *Forg|frog*[S] [S] [EW:__] spelling and word form error Example: *Baite|bite*[S][EW:bit] Spelling error and omitted bound morpheme Example: *Lok|look/*ed*[S] Spelling error with correct morpheme Example: *Cyring|cry/ing*[S] Spelling and overgeneralization error Example: *Teled|tell*[S][EO:told] Non-grapheme symbol (unidentifiable) Example: *frXg|frog*[S] Code switch with (Spanish) misspellings Example: *The abehas|abeja/s*[S] *chase/ed the boy* [CS].
Upper/lower case errors [IC] Incorrect use of upper case or lower case letters [IC]	Obligatory capitalization, e.g., proper pronouns or beginning of utterances Wrote: *the frog was gone.* Transcribed: *the*[IC] *frog was gone*. Use of capital letters in middle of word. Wrote: *He rAn home*. Transcribed: *He rAn*[IC] *home.*
Letter reversals	Type correct grapheme assuming they are developmentally appropriate. Create custom code to analyze this feature, if desired.

Punctuation [PN] Mark missing, incorrect, and/or extraneous punctuation. Do not insert commas and quotations even if obligatory.	[PN] – punctuation error Missing end of utterance punctuation Insert code at end of utterance followed by appropriate punctuation. Wrote: *The frog jumped* Transcribed: *The frog jump/ed [PN].* Incorrect punctuation Type the writer's punctuation in the code followed by correct punctuation outside of bracket. Wrote: *Where are they.* Transcribed: *Where are they [PN.]?* Extraneous punctuation mark Insert the [PN] code, including punctuation produced, at location of extra punctuation. Wrote: *He said. to go away.* Transcribed: *He said [PN.] to go away.*
Word Punctuation [WPN]	[WPN]- word punctuation error Missing word-level punctuation Wrote: *The girls coat was red.* Transcribed: *The girl*[WPN']*s|girl/z coat was red*.
Numbers	Type numbers as they were written. Example: *8 or eight*
Sound effects	Type as they were written
Extra Space [XSP]	Extra space within written word. Wrote: *honey moon* Transcribed: *honey*[XSP]*moon*
Space Required [SPR]	Space required within written word. Wrote: *theyare* Transcribed: *they* [SPR] *are*