

ViSiCAST Deliverable D2-3: Signing Tutor Peer Review

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Qualifications and Expertise as Peer Reviewer:
 Twenty years of experience as a Sign Language Researcher with ample experience with databasetechnology and multi-media applications.
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x	I have read the report of the Deliverable.
x	I have seen the prototype software.
x	I have read the Workpackage Description relating to the Deliverable.

Rating of the deliverable as a whole:

1	2	3	4	5	Poor = 1, Excellent = 5
			x		Overall quality
			x		Reflecting the state-of-the-art
			x		Meeting the objectives of the Workpackage
		x			Meeting a real need
			x		Contributing to this field
			x		Style and clarity of the report

Executive Summary:
 The Signing Tutor is a very intersetting and promising technology. In order to really capture SL it does need more work with respect to the nonmanual part of the signing and the rhythm/fluency of signing. The synthetic signing technology is very promising in relation to research tools.

With respect to the tests that are shown in the prototype I would like to see some results with hearing learners and I would also like to see some comments from Deaf learners.
Comments:

Signed:

Date: December 23rd 2002

