APPENDIX. 1

Examples for DMs Used by Participants

First category: Interpersonal Category

Marking shared knowledge:

You know: ...you know for ladies, it would be difficult...

Indicating attitude:

Well: ...well I think it can't be hard...

Really: ...we are really quiet on that day...

I think: I think I would definitely arrange for another time to meet each other...

Absolutely:... absolutely she will ask me what happens...

Actually: ... I ran into one of my old friends, actually she was one of my best friends...

as a matter of fact: As a matter of fact, because of the financial situation these days...

like: I get together sth like that...

honestly: ... honestly, I can't imagine...

just: ... let's just practice them more...

oh: ...but I can say... Oh yes, I have so many friends who are not in Iran...

definitely: ... **definitely** you should think about the item...

I believe: I believe that if you are about to choose an item or a gift or sth for your friend...

Undoubtedly: ...and undoubtedly we will review our great memories...

Probably: I would **probably** tell her I love her more than before.

Showing responses:

Ok: can you pls tell me what was the most incredible present that you have got? **Ok**, nice, so imagine s.o calls your name...

Oh: ...Oh yes I have so many friends who are not in Iran...

Of Course: Tell me the synonym of surprise? Of course, it is amazing...

Right: Do you know what is the meaning of by expression? Yes, right...

Yes: ...Oh yes I have so many friends who are not in Iran...

Great: ...great..you are right...

Sure: ...it be definitely a surprise and sure I will cry too...

For Sure: ... it's going to be for sure a wonderful day for me...

Surely: ...because surely it is sth that I never expect...

Of Course: ...yes of course...that's ok...

Uhum: ...and you heard the news? Uhum so as you see today I am going to...

Aha: Who is he or she? aha, and what does he or she say?...

Nice: can you pls tell me what was the most incredible present that you have got? Ok, **nice**, so imagine s.o calls your name...

Oh Great: For the second situation oh great this is awesome, thank you very much.

Second Category: Referential Category

Cause:

Because: ... because the class would be a formal one, so you gonna have some limitations...

Contrast:

But: ... I was tired, but suddenly I ran into one of my old friends...

Coordination:

And: ...most of my classmates and most of the students...

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Disjunction:

Or: if you are about to choose an item or a gift...

Consequence:

So: It's incredible news **so** it should be somehow happy news.

Digression:

Anyway: ...but it was a nice and touching surprise any way I got happy...

Third category: Structural category

Opening and closing of topics:

Now: Now and the other feelings, can you tell me...

Ok: Ok, if I'm at the restaurant and I hear a familiar face call my name...

Alright: Allright. do you like a surprise? hmm?

Well: Well, this is so difficult because I'm not good at parting...

Sequence:

First: ...first I think I would be shocked...

Firstly: I think that firstly I would try to remember....

Second: As the second reason we can say that...

Next: Ok..next...open your books...

Then: ...let him be unaware, then that the final moment tells him...

Finally: I try to guess some names and finally if I failed I would ask them...

After That: ...and after that when he or she comes to the class...

At The End: At the end, I think we have to take a photo...

Topic shift

So: Can you pls tell me what was the most incredible present that you have got? Ok, nice...**so** imagine s.o calls your name...

Now: ...now...open your books...

Ok: Ok...listen to me...

Summarizing opinion

So: There is busy... he is she... so, what can he do?

Continuation of topics

So: I decided to answer the questions. **So** the first question...

Cognitive Category

Denoting thinking process

Well: ...meeting a friend in a restaurant...Well... I don't know what should I say about it

And: If I were the husband... and... I bought a...

Reformulation/self-correction:

I mean: ...as I told you, most of them, I mean all of them are really surprising...

Let's say: about teachers birthday party, it makes no difference if he is an institute teacher or **lets say** university professor lecturer...

Elaboration

Like: we would probably talk about doing sth together like going mountaineering or...

Assessment of the listeners' knowledge about the utterance

you know: Do you like a surprise? hmm? you know let me give you an example.

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