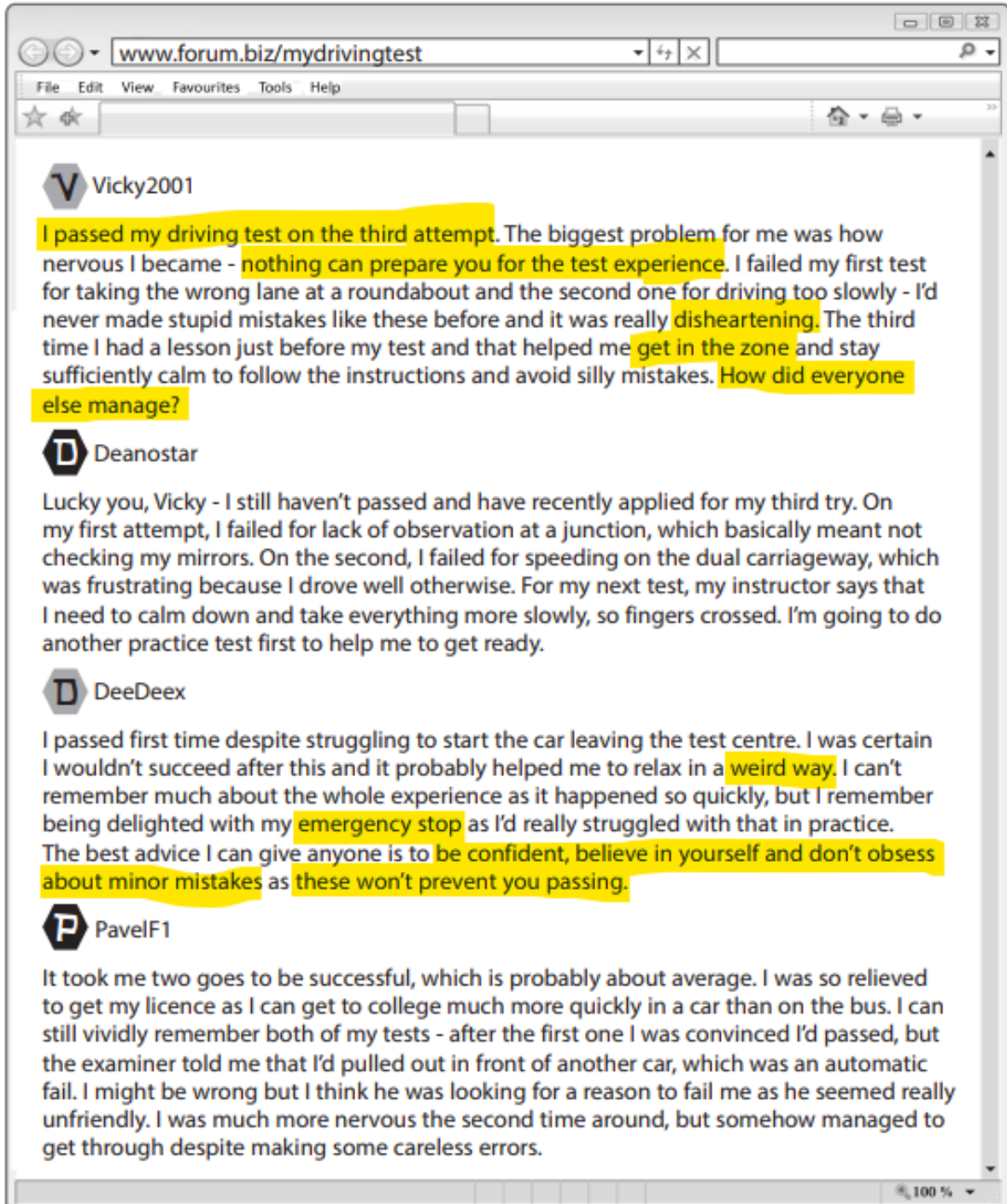


## Functional Skills English | Level 2 Reading | Language Features (matching exercise)

Look at the text below. Highlighted in the text are examples of different language features the writers have used to describe people's experiences of driving tests.



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V Vicky2001

I passed my driving test on the third attempt. The biggest problem for me was how nervous I became - nothing can prepare you for the test experience. I failed my first test for taking the wrong lane at a roundabout and the second one for driving too slowly - I'd never made stupid mistakes like these before and it was really disheartening. The third time I had a lesson just before my test and that helped me get in the zone and stay sufficiently calm to follow the instructions and avoid silly mistakes. How did everyone else manage?

D Deanostar

Lucky you, Vicky - I still haven't passed and have recently applied for my third try. On my first attempt, I failed for lack of observation at a junction, which basically meant not checking my mirrors. On the second, I failed for speeding on the dual carriageway, which was frustrating because I drove well otherwise. For my next test, my instructor says that I need to calm down and take everything more slowly, so fingers crossed. I'm going to do another practice test first to help me to get ready.

D DeeDeex

I passed first time despite struggling to start the car leaving the test centre. I was certain I wouldn't succeed after this and it probably helped me to relax in a weird way. I can't remember much about the whole experience as it happened so quickly, but I remember being delighted with my emergency stop as I'd really struggled with that in practice. The best advice I can give anyone is to be confident, believe in yourself and don't obsess about minor mistakes as these won't prevent you passing.

P PavelF1

It took me two goes to be successful, which is probably about average. I was so relieved to get my licence as I can get to college much more quickly in a car than on the bus. I can still vividly remember both of my tests - after the first one I was convinced I'd passed, but the examiner told me that I'd pulled out in front of another car, which was an automatic fail. I might be wrong but I think he was looking for a reason to fail me as he seemed really unfriendly. I was much more nervous the second time around, but somehow managed to get through despite making some careless errors.

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Match the highlighted examples to the language features used:

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get in the zone

How did everyone else manage?

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emergency stop

be confident, believe in yourself and don't obsess about minor mistakes

these won't prevent you passing

question

direct address

rule of three

emotive language

alliteration

hyperbole

colloquial / informal language

first person

specialist language / jargon

