

Appendix 4: Quotes from students when asked regarding improvement of language skills. Highlighted areas were interpreted as positive comments related to AI and learning skills.

Student	Quotes
1	Yes, I am sure, that I have improved my English language skills. Sometimes, it is difficult for me to show it, but I know, that my English skills are better than in October. It is much easier for me to read academic texts and to express my thoughts verbally. Furthermore, I am sure, that knowledge about how to write a research proposal will be very helpful in the future.
2	I think I have definitely improved my language skills and vocabulary in my specific field of research, by working with English texts week for week. What I am unsure about, is whether my general English skills have improved or got weaker by the constant use of AI tools. Though I can work efficiently and produce well written texts through AIs help, I am not sure if I could reproduce the same level of quality in an exam or other situation, where AI usage is illegitimate. Comprehension nether seems to be a problem, but when finding the right words when writing myself, I am often not able to match the quality of my written texts to the ones I can comprehend. Maybe stricter AI-control during the assignments OR a final exam integrating AI-usage to better reflect modern workflow, would close the gap between the standards during the semester and during the exam.
3	Yes, ai is just like a tutor who won't get bored of our questions. Even though, sometimes I used it to make my life easier and let it do the work. I wish we would've done more exercises, like the commentary we had to do in week 9. While Ai helps to understand the concepts behind the tasks, writing on paper is actually preparing us for the exam.
4	I would say this course gives me a bit more chance to use AI for writing, but because of declaration, sometimes, it takes me more time to complete a task. Generally, I have improved my English skills, especially because of some assignments which I have to take time and do it by myself. I think I would love to have more interactive exercises like practising a job interview so that we can connect more with each other and also practice communicating skills, for example in work environment.
5	We had to read a lot of scientific papers. I think that helpt most to improve my english language skills.
6	I think im more familiar with scientific writing. I would count that as a better proficiency in reading since I learned common vocabulary and expressions used in a more formal manner. But since we focused mainly on formal and academic writing I don't percieve any change in my listening or speaking skills."
7	No, I do not believe that my English skills have been improved. I do not think it has anything to do with the use of AI but with the fact that the focus of the class was not set on improving actual language skills such as grammar etc. but on improving other skills (such as writing a proposal), which simply happened to be in English.
8	Yes I have, but I think writing by hand (at least a few more times) could have helped me to prepare for the exams even better.
9	Yes, I have learned how to improve my sentence structure and my use of words. Perhaps this course can be improved by doing the job interviews at the beginning of the course. It loosens up the working environment.
10	I think I did, despite the use of AI, as going through the answers that AI gave, showed mistakes. Maybe more listening or aloud reading.
11	Yes, I agree. I think in class writing tasks to submit after class would have been more helpful in some cases. I also think editing and rewriting our texts is really helpful.