Table 3.4 - Description of participants' stutter pre-treatment (N=9)

Par- ticipant	Repetitions	Blocks	Interjections	Prolongations	Tension	Pitch changes	Secondary behaviours	Desire to communicate	Classification
1	Mild & tense word, syllable and sound repetitions in the beginning and middle of sentence				Neck & facial tension during periods of stuttering	Pitch & intensity rises during repetitions		Decreased desire to communicate. Very frustrated Tense – battling to talk	Moderate to severe stutterer
2		Silent blocks	Interjections	Prolongations		Rise in pitch and intensity during stuttering moment	Secondary type behaviour in the form of eye closure and hand movements	Refusal to speak. Frustrated. Word and situation avoidance - running away	Severe stutterer
3	Easy word & phrase repetitions occurring at the beginning of words and sentences			Prolongations of initial sounds	Neck and facial tension during periods of stuttering			No apparent frustration at lack of fluency	Moderate to severe stutterer
4	Word repetitions some tense repetitions			Prolongations of sounds and syllable				Not concerned about his speech although shows some awareness of his speech difficulties. Does not hesitate to interact.	Mild to moderate stutterer

Table 3.4 – Continuation: Description of participants' stutter pre-treatment (N=9)

5	Repetitions at the beginning of words and sentences							No signs of frustration or reluctance to speak	Moderate to severe stutterer
6	Repetitions	Blocks						Does not appear to be aware of stuttering	Moderate stutterer
7	Word repetitions Revisions of phrases	Tense blocks	Interjections of /um/	Prolongations		Inhalations associated with rise in pitch and intensity	Advanced stuttering symptoms - whispering and putting his hands in front of his mouth when talking	Aware of impaired communication Displays a reluctance to speak Said 'I can't talk in class'	Moderate stutterer
8	Repetition of words at the beginning of sentences	Blocking			Tension observed in neck			Aware of stuttering Very frustrated says 'I can't help it'	Moderate to severe stutterer
9	Repetitions of sounds, syllables and words	Blocking		Prolongations				Aware of stuttering Reluctance to speak	Very severe stutterer