

Section 1:

#1 (First paragraph): a. Strengths:

- Vivid descriptive language, e.g., "burnished as modern glass", "glistening even without a sun".
- Effective introduction of characters with unique traits.

b. Weaknesses: Inconsistent tone and vocabulary Your writing in this section mixes casual language with advanced vocabulary, creating an uneven tone. For instance, you use phrases like "Me and my other three cousins" alongside words like "resplendent" and "anomalous". This inconsistency can be jarring for readers.

c. Exemplar: "My three cousins and I decided to reunite after what felt like an eternity. Each of us brought unique talents: I was the technology enthusiast, Izzy the sports fanatic, Joshua the determined builder, and Sarah the gardening expert."

#2 (Second paragraph): a. Strengths:

- Effective use of onomatopoeia ("BASH! KABOOM!") to create excitement.
- Good attempt at building tension through character reactions.

b. Weaknesses: Overuse of adjectives and adverbs Your writing here relies heavily on descriptive words, which can overwhelm the reader. For example, "devious asteroid", "abhorrent way", and "delusional lunatic" all appear in quick succession. This overuse can detract from the impact of your descriptions.

c. Exemplar: "Something struck the spaceship with a deafening crash. We rushed to the window and saw an asteroid drifting away. Panic set in as we realised we might be stranded in space forever."

#3 (Fourth paragraph): a. Strengths:

- Good pacing with short sentences to create urgency.
- Creative problem-solving attempt by characters.

b. Weaknesses: Lack of detail in resolution Your writing rushes through the solution without providing enough detail for the reader to fully understand or visualise what's happening. The use of the plant to break the pillar and the quartz to fix the hole feels abrupt and underdeveloped.

c. Exemplar: "Sarah's unique plant, with its incredibly strong vines, coiled around the pillar. As it tightened its grip, the quartz cracked and split into manageable pieces. Joshua, the strongest among us, hefted a section and carried it towards the breach."

Actionable task: Rewrite the first paragraph, focusing on maintaining a consistent tone throughout. Pay attention to your word choices, ensuring they match the overall style you're aiming for - either more casual or more formal.

Overall score: 39/50

Section 2: Revision Guidelines

The Galactic Catastrophe

~~Me and my other three cousins~~ [My three cousins and I] decided to meet up with each other after what felt like eons. We have me the technology intellectual, Izzy the sport maniac, Joshua the obdurate builder and Sarah the garden admirer. I got an anomalous award because my tech skills created a resplendent videogame. Izzy got an award for getting into state level for running. Joshua got a sublime award for body strength and Sarah got a grand award for having the best kept plants at a competition. Our ship was gargantuan. The floor was as burnished as modern glass. The pillars were made of fascinating quartz. The whole room was glistening even without a sun. This spaceship would be ~~transendent~~ [transcendent] and fun to dwell in. It was like heaven in the spaceship. #1

BASH! KABOOM! Something had struck the spaceship. We hurried to the colossal window and stared outside inquisitively. We saw a devious asteroid. It winked at us in an abhorrent way and hovered away. We had to do something or else we would be stranded in space forever. We rocked around ferociously in the ship. We screamed and shrieked and started to sweat. My mind was drenched with the fact that we would suffocate in space. Izzy ran around like a delusional lunatic. We thought about our families and all the other moments we loved. Suddenly Sarah demanded that we should give ideas. #2

We all had to brainstorm ideas before it was too late. I suggested that we call help from N.A.S.A but nobody agreed. Sarah declared that we should use plants to block the hole. That was ~~eretinous~~ [nonsensical]. Joshua thought that we should use body weights and tape them together. We all looked at him, puzzled. He explained that body weights are extremely brawny and could withstand the force of space. That would not work, I told him. Now it was Izzy's turn to suggest ~~and~~ [an] idea. She looked at us three blankly. None of our plans would work. Only a miracle could save us now.

CREAK! The ship had started to slowly tilt and tilt and tilt. Joshua had the perfect idea. He requested us that we should use our space suits and I said to block it off we will need the quartz from the pillars. We started kicking furiously but it did not work. Luckily, Sarah had a certain and mischievous plant that could strangle anything. She set up the plant around the bottom of the magnificent pillar. The plant rose and rose and strangled the pillar into three pieces. Joshua carried the heavy structure to the door that ~~lead~~ [led] to space. There ~~was~~ [were] two minutes until the ship would implode. No one could run that far besides Izzy. Izzy jumped into her space suit and we connected a rope to her. Her heart pounded harder than an elephant. She swiftly sprinted to the hole and attached the quartz to it. We started biting our nails in terror. She had successfully ~~came~~ [come] back into the ship. We cheered and cheered in glee. #3