

## Section 1:

### #1 (First paragraph): a. Strengths:

- You've created an intriguing opening that sets the scene and introduces the main characters.
- The mention of the war and its impact on the characters adds depth to the narrative.

b. Weaknesses: Lack of Clarity and Cohesion Your opening paragraph contains several inconsistencies and unclear elements. For instance, you mention "four cousins" but only name three. The sentence "We were starting to board the ship as we stop quite a queer site" is confusing and grammatically incorrect. Additionally, the transition from boarding the ship to being in the sauna is abrupt and lacks detail.

c. Exemplar: "As my cousins Ruth, Callum, Joseph, and I boarded the majestic Stargazer, we witnessed a peculiar sight: a figure that resembled a zombie. Despite its familiarity, we chose to ignore it, focusing instead on our much-needed holiday after the war that had claimed our fathers' lives."

### #2 (Second paragraph): a. Strengths:

- The vivid description of the nightmare creates tension and foreshadows potential events.
- The use of first-person narration effectively conveys the protagonist's emotions.

b. Weaknesses: Inconsistent Tone and Pacing Your writing shifts abruptly from a horrifying nightmare to a calm stargazing scene without adequate transition. The phrase "It had been quite a strange nightmare" understates the intense fear previously described. The final rhetorical question feels out of place and doesn't effectively tie the paragraph together.

c. Exemplar: "I awoke in a pool of sweat, the nightmare's vivid imagery still fresh in my mind. Though I tried to dismiss it as a mere dream, an uneasy feeling lingered. Seeking solace, I stepped outside and set down a mat to stargaze, hoping the night sky would calm my troubled thoughts."

### #3 (Third paragraph): a. Strengths:

- The action sequence of falling through the floor creates excitement and moves the plot forward.
- The introduction of zombies adds a supernatural element to the story.

b. Weaknesses: Rushed Plot Development and Logical Inconsistencies Your third paragraph introduces several major plot points in quick succession without adequate development. The sudden appearance of zombies and the protagonist's immediate transformation feel rushed and lack explanation. The phrase "What I am now is a curse that has made me worse then being dead" is grammatically incorrect and doesn't clearly convey the character's new state.

c. Exemplar: "As the withered hands grasped me, I felt a strange transformation begin. My humanity slipped away, replaced by an unnatural immortality. I had become one of them—a fate worse than death, doomed to roam the world as the very monster I once feared."

Actionable Task: Rewrite the opening paragraph, focusing on introducing each character clearly and creating a smoother transition between boarding the ship and your first day's activities. Ensure you maintain consistency in the number of cousins mentioned and provide more details about the "zombie-like figure" you encountered.

Overall Score: 38/50

## Section 2: Revision Guidelines

Day 1 20th February 1919 Me and my four cousins (Ruth, Callum and Joseph) were selected to board the majestic ~~stargazer~~ [Stargazer], known around the world for its exhilarating places that they go to. #1 ~~We were starting to board the ship as we stop quite a queer site.~~ [As we boarded the ship, we encountered a strange sight.] A figure quite like a zombie. Something that looked familiar. But no. We were ~~that~~ [too] big of a no—brainer to ignore such a peculiar ~~spot~~ [sight]. After all, this was meant to be a holiday and a break after the war. This was mainly a distraction. Our fathers had died during the war. And our way to move on was this. We enjoyed most of our day in the sauna, keeping quiet to ourselves like most would do. Everyone seemed to be quiet. Not like me and my cousins, ~~but~~ [but] nothing coming out of them. Not even a peep. Strange....

Day 2 #2 I have been trapped by the despicable captains of this crew. Fear and death caught up on me. My life was going to end. I jammed my eyes shut so I wouldn't see the horrible sight. Except... all there had been was a bite from the captain. I peeped my eyes open and saw that I was transforming into a hideous, mutated zombie! And my dead dad laughed a terrible laugh as I started to become the living dead. Noooo! I awoke in a pool of sweat. It had been quite a strange nightmare as if it was a prophecy of what might happen. It was so realistic. It had felt as if I had been bitten. ~~It-~~no!~~~~ [No!] I said to myself. This was just a stupid dream and there was nothing to worry about. I stepped outside and it was starting to get late. I set down a mat and decided maybe I

should just stargaze. After all, this ship wasn't called ~~stargazer~~ [Stargazer] for nothing. Right?

Day 3 On the third day, me and my cousin Joseph ~~decide~~ [decided] what was not better than to explore the ship. We had been staying in the first-class cabins we haven't really left that area. Me and Joseph were just fooling around when we stepped onto a pressure plate and ~~we~~-~~that~~ [that] space in the floor ~~disappears~~ [disappeared]. We ~~go~~ [went] plummeting down, down, down till we fall. Crack! Pain surged and scurried through my body as I ~~get~~ [got] a painful ~~realization~~ [realisation] that I ~~have~~ [had] broken my right hand. I ~~look~~ [looked] around for Joseph. He ~~has~~ [had] been knocked out cold and I ~~realise~~ [realised] we ~~are~~ [were] in some sort of basement. A withered hand then touched me, and I screamed in deafening horror as 10 zombies ~~surround~~ [surrounded] me and ~~mummer~~ [murmured] with a hoarse voice. "Time to join us." And then I collapsed.

#3 What I am now is a curse that has made me ~~worse~~-~~then~~ [worse than] being dead. In fact, I am now an immortal being that now will roam around the world as a monster. But that is what I am. And this is what my fate has decided.