

Section 1:

#1: First paragraph Strengths:

- Vivid sensory details create tension ("aroma of smoke", "sweat cascaded")
- Effective use of short sentences builds suspense

Weaknesses: Repetitive Physiological Descriptions → Your writing repeats similar physical reactions (heartbeat, hyperventilation, sweating) without developing deeper emotional impact. The phrase "started to hyperventilate swiftly and rapidly" is redundant.

Exemplar: "Rick's heart hammered against his ribs as smoke filled the room, each breath becoming more laboured as panic seized his chest."

#2: Second paragraph Strengths:

- Strong visual imagery of space ("eternal darkness", "scorching stars")
- Emotional depth through physical descriptions ("tears trickled", "melancholy sulk")

Weaknesses: Unclear Timeline and Transitions → Your transitions between waking up and observing space feel abrupt. The sentence "The air felt eerie, as it felt moist, damp and numbing" uses repetitive descriptors.

Exemplar: "Rick's consciousness returned slowly, his senses overwhelmed by the peculiar dampness of the artificial atmosphere."

#3: Final paragraph Strengths:

- Clear resolution and celebration sequence
- Good use of descriptive adjectives ("luminescent medal", "colossal, towering rocket")

Weaknesses: Rushed Conclusion → Your ending feels hurried with sudden revelation about Rick being a quokka. The phrase "Rick was a quokka" needs more context and development.

Exemplar: "The crowds erupted in cheers as Rick, the first quokka astronaut in history, emerged from the spacecraft clutching his precious Martian samples."

Actionable Task: Rewrite the first paragraph focusing on developing Rick's emotional state through specific thoughts and internal dialogue rather than just physical reactions. Include at least two distinct thoughts that reveal his fears about the launch.

Score: 40/50

Section 2:

Petrified ~~Rick's~~ **[Rick's]** heart throbbed, as he heard the gurgling of the rocket engines. He was doomed. Rick entered a room, filled with glistening glass. An aroma of smoke started to cloud the room. ~~Rick started to hyperventilate swiftly and rapidly~~ **[Rick's breathing became erratic]**. Jolts of trepidation went down Rick's spine. Sweat cascaded down his vibrant cheeks. Suddenly, a gleaming, ~~blinding~~ **[blinding]** light shone in the room. "Launching rocket in 3, 2, 1", declared a voice. ~~Rick eyes~~ **[Rick's eyes]** widened. #1

WHOOSH! 'ARGH!' squealed Rick. Dizziness engulfed Rick. ~~Agony filled inside of Rick~~ **[Agony filled Rick's entire body]**. His eyes became weary and shut. Eventually, he woke up. ~~The air felt eerie, as it felt moist, damp and numbing~~ **[The eerie air felt damp and numbing]**. As he gazed out of the window, he saw eternal darkness with scorching stars stacked inside of it. He stared at his right to see Earth. He started to drift away. He gawped, as his face transformed into a melancholy sulk. Tears trickled down his cheeks. Rick was horrified by the fact that on the red planet, dust storms are frequent. #2

After months and months of awaiting in a spaceship brutally, Rick finally got to exit the cramped rocket. He slapped on his suit and arrived onto Mars. All he could see was a barren planet covered by dull sapphire orange dust. The planet felt glacial. Rick immediately started to collect samples and research more about the peculiar planet. After that, Rick prepared sturdy shelter for himself out of metal. In the end, it was sublime. The sun gave Rick an ecstatic wink. Finally, it was time for Rick to retreat back to home. Suddenly, a dust storm materialised. Rick's nightmare had become a reality. He sprinted hastily through the thick air and rugged ground and made it into the spaceship alive.

~~He gathered his samples for intrigued scientists to study and entered the colossal, towering rocket and after some time came back home~~ **[Clutching his samples for the intrigued scientists, he entered the colossal, towering rocket and journeyed back home]**. Rick was a quokka. Crowds of people cheered and applauded for Rick's fulfilment of being the first person to step on Mars. A feeling of glee spread in Rick and he was bombarded by flattery. He was gifted a luminescent medal for his accomplishment. Rick was also given the nickname 'Martian'. #3