

Section 1: #1 - First paragraph Strengths:

- Effectively establishes the setting and main character through descriptive detail
- Creates intrigue about Rick's new role at NASA

Weaknesses: Inconsistent Tense Usage → Your writing shifts between past and present tense: "Rick walked" then "he wonders." This disrupts the narrative flow.

Exemplar: "As Rick walked into the office, he wondered what his job would be like. It was his first day on the NASA space exploration team."

#2 - Paragraphs about the lunch scene Strengths:

- Strong internal monologue showing Rick's thought process
- Clear presentation of the central conflict between space exploration and environmentalism

Weaknesses: Run-on Sentences → Your sentences contain multiple ideas without proper punctuation: "The earth was in need and with deforestation happening more and more, the carbon will increase quickly."

Exemplar: "The Earth was in desperate need of help. With deforestation increasing rapidly, carbon levels would rise at an alarming rate."

#3 - Competition speech scene Strengths:

- Builds tension effectively through pacing
- Presents a creative solution to the central conflict

Weaknesses: Dialogue Structure → Your dialogue formatting needs improvement, particularly around speech tags and quotation marks.

Exemplar: "Hello everyone, I am Rick," he began confidently. "My opinion is to do both of the arguments at once."

Actionable Task: Rewrite the lunch scene paragraph focusing specifically on breaking down your longer sentences into clearer, more concise statements while maintaining the same ideas.

Score: 41/50

Section 2:

~~As Rick walked into the office, he wonders~~ [As Rick walked into the office, he wondered] what his job would be like. It was his first day being at the NASA space exploration team. ~~He goes~~ [He went]

up the elevator and ~~opens~~ [opened] the doors. People ~~stare~~ [stared] at him and a tall man ~~proceeds~~ [proceeded] to Rick. "You must be Rick. Come, sit down." Rick sat down at the edge of the table taking out his books. The tall man said that he was the manager and introduced the other teammates. "We are going to the parliament to compete about what the government will use the left-over money for this weekend. Our space exploration about Mars is very important. We could discover many objects. Harry will make a speech to persuade the government and that is the end of our meeting," ~~The manager said to the group of workers.~~ [said the manager to the group of workers.] #1

Rick packed up his books that were full of words and headed for the canteen. He pulled out his money and selected a meal. Rick sat down at a rounded table thinking about what side of the competition he would be on. His mother was an environmentalist, a person that tries to help the earth. ~~The earth was in need and with deforestation happening more and more, the carbon will increase quickly.~~ [The Earth was in dire need, as increasing deforestation would cause carbon levels to rise quickly.] With millions of people born each year, coal will be used frequently and it will affect the globe negatively. What if he did both at the same time? The mars exploration can continue and the rest of the money help endangered species, sustainability, climate change and pollution. Or the mars exploration discoveries could be put online and people have to pay money to watch it. This money will go to the saving the earth. He will tell his manager that he will also speak in the competition. #2

When he finished his lunch, he followed the workers to a room that had a small machine that looked like a camera. His manager said that it was a rover that they were building to put on Mars. It will travel around the planet and observe it. He also told Rick to watch for today and next week he could learn how to build it. Rick looked at the group crowding around the machine, fidgeting and connecting bibs and bobs. By the time they finished the rover, it was the end of the day. Rick and the group of workers took their bags and headed to their homes.

Knock! Knock! Rick tapped the wooden door and waited for the sound of walking. After a few seconds, footsteps were heard behind the door. His mother opened the door and they had dinner. While they ate their food, Rick told his mother all about what he did in the NASA office and the idea of doing both at once. Rick's mother wasn't quite sure about the idea, they needed all the money that they could get to help the environment. As his mother cleaned the dishes, Rick started to write his speech.

Tomorrow would be the day of resolving what the money would be used on. When he woke up, he dashed to the bathroom and brushed his teeth. Rick and his mother had to leave early because it is [was] far away. Before his mum woke up, he ran to the kitchen. While eating his cereal, he practiced his speech silently to himself.

The car ride was quite long. Rick couldn't wait to present his idea at the contest. As the pair sat down, the government started talking. "Hello everyone, welcome to the meeting where people tell me their ideas that will be used in the left-over money. First, we have Harry, from the NASA space exploration

team." ~~"Hi I am Harry and I here to persuade you~~ ["Hi, I am Harry and I'm here to persuade you] to use money on the exploration of Mars. If we continue research, we might discover extraordinary things that can help us. It also can allow more information about all the planets that don't have living things. Thank you." The audience clapped and cheered for Harry while the government stood up again and walked to the stage.

"What ~~it~~ [is] his turn yet?" thought Rick. No, it wasn't, it was his mother's turn to talk. Rick stared around the room, not listening to his mother. He noticed that there was a colourful framed window on the side of the building. Outside, there was a small hummingbird drinking nectar from the flowers. His mother once told him that if he saw one that meant good luck.

"Thank you, Lola. Our final participant is Rick," The government said. Rick slowly walked to the front and said, "Hello everyone, I am Rick. My opinion is to do both of the arguments at once. While the space ~~explorations on~~ [exploration is ongoing], the rovers can video it and send it to people to watch but they need to pay for it. Then the money from the video can be used to save the environment. Another way is to split the money in half. Thank you for listening." #3

The people in the parliament clapped as loud as they could [,] making echoes around the room. The government stood up and held up the microphone. "I have decided to go with ~~Ricks~~ [Rick's] first option. Thank you for coming to this meeting." Rick smiled all the way home and told his family all the great news.

Now that he saved the earth and continued the mars [Mars] research, he awaits for more amazing adventures.