## Section 1:

#1 "My first day of school began with a rush of excitement and nerves. As I walked into the classroom, the walls were decorated with bright posters and the faint aroma of fresh markers lingered in the air." Strengths:

- Effective use of sensory details that create a vivid scene
- Strong opening that immediately engages the reader

Weaknesses: Repetitive Sentence Structure  $\rightarrow$  Your sentences follow a similar pattern, starting with "As I." Consider varying your sentence structure to create more engaging prose. "As I walked into the classroom" could be restructured to maintain flow while adding variety.

Exemplar: "Stepping into the classroom, I was greeted by walls adorned with bright posters whilst the faint aroma of fresh markers lingered in the air."

#2 "The warm sun made our football match both enjoyable and tiring. The pace picked up, and time seemed to fly as I focused on dribbling and shooting." Strengths:

- Clear progression of events
- Good balance between action and reflection

Weaknesses: Underdeveloped Scene  $\rightarrow$  Your description lacks specific details about the football match. The phrase "the pace picked up" is vague and misses an opportunity to create excitement through more specific action.

Exemplar: "Under the warm sun, our football match intensified with every pass. My heart raced as I weaved between players, focusing on precise dribbling and powerful shots at goal."

#3 "As someone with years of experience, the class was blown away as soon as I laid my fingers on the keys, while my heart did the rest for me." Strengths:

- Shows personal accomplishment
- Creates emotional connection

Weaknesses: Unclear Cause-Effect  $\rightarrow$  Your sentence structure creates confusion about what exactly impressed the class. The phrase "my heart did the rest for me" is ambiguous and doesn't clearly convey your meaning.

Exemplar: "Drawing from years of experience, I confidently placed my fingers on the keys, letting my passion guide each note as my classmates watched in amazement."

Actionable Task: Rewrite the third paragraph focusing specifically on the football match during lunchtime. Include at least three specific details about your movements, techniques, or interactions with other players to create a more engaging scene.

Score: 43/50

## Section 2:

#1 My first day of school began with a rush of excitement and nerves. As I walked into the classroom, [Upon entering the classroom,] the walls were decorated with bright posters and the faint aroma of fresh markers lingered in the air. The morning kicked off with introductions and an English lesson. New words and vocabulary swirled in my mind as we learned about random gibberish and complex ancient hieroglyphics – or at least that's what I thought. As time dragged on—it felt like every minute stretched into an hour. I kept glancing at the clock, willing it to move faster.

#2 By midday, we headed outside for sports. The warm sun made our football match both enjoyable and tiring. [The warm sun beat down on us as we engaged in an exhilarating yet tiring football match.] The pace picked up, and time seemed to fly as I focused on dribbling and shooting. Before I knew it, the whistle blew, signaling the end of our session. I walked back to my classroom, my energy levels soaring and my stomach growling.

At lunchtime, the schoolyard buzzed with chatter and laughter. I quickly devoured my sandwich and joined my friends who were practicing [practi for our team football match this weekend. Time sped up again as we challenged each other to see who could keep possession of the ball the longest. The break ended too soon, and we were ushered back into class.

#3 The afternoon brought a music lesson, where we learned the basics of playing the piano. As someone with years of experience, the class was blown away as soon as I laid my fingers on the keys, while my heart did the rest for me. [Years of experience showed as I laid my fingers on the keys, my passionate playing leaving the class spellbound.] Amazing the class each time I played a new melody, I lost track of time, immersed in making a show for my fellow peers. The day wrapped up with some reflection time, where we shared our highlights of the day.

That evening, as I sat at home at the dinner table, I thought about how different parts of the day seemed to move at different speeds. I learned that diving into activities can make time fly, but anticipation can stretch the time. Despite the slow start, I enjoyed the variety of activities and the chance to meet new friends. I couldn't wait for tomorrow!