

## Section 1:

### #1: First paragraph Strengths:

- Strong world-building with specific details about the alien threat
- Clear establishment of conflict and urgency with time-specific details

Weaknesses: Name: Run-on sentences and information overload → Your writing combines multiple ideas into lengthy sentences without proper transitions. For instance, "Voyager 1 detected a lot of flying saucers heading towards Earth. Some of which are also seen with dangerous rocket-propelled grenades and short-range laser cannons" could be more effectively structured.

Exemplar: "NASA's Voyager 1 detected numerous flying saucers approaching Earth. These vessels, predominantly green and blue in colour, were heavily armed with rocket-propelled grenades and short-range laser cannons."

### #2: Conference scene (paragraphs 4-8) Strengths:

- Good use of dialogue to show conflicting viewpoints
- Inclusion of specific technical details like coordinates

Weaknesses: Name: Underdeveloped scene dynamics → Your conference scene feels rushed and lacks atmospheric details. The dialogue exchange "Boo!" and "It is Photoshopped!" reads more like a summary than an engaging scene.

Exemplar: "The conference room erupted in dissent as Bill Nelson raised the megaphone to his lips. 'As we all know,' he projected his voice to reach the back row, 'aliens will be invading our planet within a fortnight.' His statement was met with a wave of sceptical murmurs and outright jeers."

### #3: Final paragraph Strengths:

- Technical precision with specific details about speed
- Creative resolution to the conflict

Weaknesses: Name: Pacing issues and abrupt conclusion → Your ending feels rushed with the sudden jump from laser creation to resolution. The phrase "cooked (literally and figuratively)" doesn't provide enough closure for such a significant event.

Exemplar: "Eight minutes after launch, the laser, travelling at 99.999999996 percent of the speed of light, made contact with the alien fleet. Within two seconds, the concentrated beam reduced the invading ships to superheated debris, ending the threat to Earth."

Actionable Task: Rewrite the conference scene (paragraphs 4-8) focusing on building tension through detailed descriptions of the room's atmosphere, the reactions of different officials, and Nelson's emotional state as he presents his evidence.

Section 2:

#1 The Lolans have just invented a stellar laser cannon. This is because there are aliens that are about to invade Earth. A month ago, the National Aeronautics and Space Administration's Voyager 1 discovered flying saucers that appear somewhat predominantly green and blue ~~and green~~ in colour. Voyager 1 detected ~~a lot of~~ [numerous] flying saucers heading towards Earth. ~~Some of which are~~ [These vessels were] also seen with dangerous rocket-propelled grenades and short-range laser cannons. Speed cameras detected that ~~#~~ [they] would arrive at Earth within a fortnight. The National Aeronautics and Space Administration alerted world militaries and government agencies to put their wars on hold and to work together to produce ideas to obliterate the flying saucer fleet.

"It must be fake news. I do not believe in extraterrestrial life or UFO sightings," one leader firmly stated. "NASA should be sued."

Another leader stated, "We should trust NASA. They are a legitimate government agency of the United States."

#2 Most government officials of the United Nations trusted NASA, and because of democracy, all the United Nations members gathered in a conference room in New York City.

~~"As we all know, there will be aliens invading our planet within a fortnight," hollered Bill Nelson in a megaphone, the chief executive officer of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, to make sure the back row can hear him.~~ ["As we all know," hollered Bill Nelson, the chief executive officer of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, through his megaphone to reach the back row, "aliens will be invading our planet within a fortnight."]

"Boo!" exclaimed a huge crowd of audibly unwilling members.

Bill Nelson presented his photographic evidence on a projector. The coordinates are: 15h 26m 5.33S, -18° 18' 50.1"

"It is Photoshopped!" a crowd laughed wickedly.

Throughout the meeting, Nelson was disgraced by some government officials. Nelson does not want the rest of the conference to be recorded in the press.

The countries that did not agree with Nelson's "philosophy" agreed to try to disprove him by building a space probe to try to find the mysterious alien ship. They launched the probe and found the alien ships. With their own proof of Nelson's "philosophy", they sent their smartest scientists to join the weapon designing lab.

A German science content creator proposed the idea of a stellar laser cannon after his video about a hypothetical scenario of aliens invading Earth. Everybody liked that idea, so everybody started planning and building his idea. A NASA employee who learnt from Katherine Johnson found the function of how to land the stellar laser using a graphing calculator. Laser manufacturers made an online to-scale 3D model of the laser. Within a week, the portable laser had been created.

#3 The portable laser was then launched and accelerated to 99.9999999996 percent of the speed of light. Eight minutes later, the laser was activated directly at the aliens. In two seconds, the alien ships were cooked (literally and figuratively).

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