## Section 1:

#1 "I searched desperately hoping to find my toy, feeling worried I throw everything to the floor without paying attention."

## Strengths:

- Strong emotional vocabulary ("desperately," "worried") effectively conveys the character's distress
- Creates immediate tension and hooks the reader into the story

Weaknesses: Run-on Sentence Structure  $\rightarrow$  The sentence combines multiple actions without proper punctuation or conjunctions, making it difficult to follow. Using "throw" instead of "threw" also disrupts the narrative flow.

Exemplar: "I searched desperately for my toy, feeling so worried that I threw everything onto the floor in my panic."

#2 "Sorry." I say in a soft tone hoping she won't get to mad at me. "Why are you throwing things." She asks

## Strengths:

- Natural dialogue that captures realistic parent-child interaction
- Effectively shows the child's remorse through tone description

Weaknesses: Dialogue Punctuation  $\rightarrow$  Missing question marks, incorrect placement of full stops, and inconsistent dialogue tags disrupt the reading experience. "to" is used instead of "too."

Exemplar: "Sorry," I said in a soft tone, hoping she wouldn't get too mad at me. "Why are you throwing things?" she asked.

#3 "I saw something, is looks like Pussy." I say to mum this time my hopes high. She smiles and holds my hand I caught the tail and I heard a "Meow!"

## Strengths:

- Builds anticipation effectively
- Creates a heartwarming surprise ending

Weaknesses: Tense Consistency → Shifts between present and past tense ("is looks," "smiles," "caught") create confusion in the narrative flow.

Exemplar: "I saw something that looked like Pussy," I said to Mum, my hopes rising. She smiled and held my hand as I caught the tail and heard a "Meow!"

Actionable Task: Rewrite the entire piece maintaining consistent past tense throughout, paying special attention to dialogue punctuation rules. Mark each verb to ensure tense consistency.

**Score: 40/50** 

Section 2:

The lost toy

I searched desperately hoping to find my toy, feeling worried I throw everything to the floor without paying attention. [I searched desperately hoping to find my toy, feeling worried as I threw everything onto the floor without paying attention.] #1

"Krishna!" my mum says [Krishna!" my mum said] in a really disappointed tone. "Sorry." I say ["Sorry," I said] in a soft tone hoping she won't get to [too] mad at me. "Why are you throwing things." She asks ["Why are you throwing things?" she asked]. #2 "Well, urm, I lost pussy cat," I say [said], it almost crying. "It's ok," She [she] replied by hugging me. I melt [melted] in her arms. "If you wanna find pussy..." she continues [continued]. "Not just pussy but any of your things then don't drop things, promise.? [promise?" she asked]. "Promise." I say ["Promise," I said] back.

I continue [continued] searching, keeping my hopes high when I searched the second last room. "I spot some wool underneath the sofa," I told myself. "That's it, I found pussy!" I shouted to my mum across the room. "That's great honey." I quickly pulled the wool and... "Wait what, this can't be possible, I swear that is where Pussy is." "It's fine," Says [said] mum, "we still have one more room." "But what if I c-c-ant f-find it." I started to have a melt down. "Calm down," mum said in a reassuring tone that made me calm myself. I got up from under the sofa, hugged my mum and left to the last room. This time mum came with me.

"I saw something, is looks like Pussy." I say to mum this time my hopes high. ["I saw something that looked like Pussy," I said to Mum, my hopes high.] #3 She smiles [smiled] and holds [held] my hand. I caught the tail and I heard a "Meow!" "What was that?" I screamed. "Surprise!" said mum. She surprised me with a real cat. I hugged her tight and play [played] with the cat. I named her Pussy after my toy cat. Sometimes, I do still miss my toy, but while having my cat around, it feels like I have my Pussy toy with me.