

## Section 1:

### #1 Strengths:

- Strong emotional setup with the family legacy theme
- Effective use of sensory detail with "cacophony of the Cassion"

Weaknesses: Missing Context Development → Your opening lacks sufficient context about Rick's current situation and what a "Cassion" is. The transition between the noise and family history feels abrupt, making it challenging for readers to connect with Rick's predicament.

Exemplar: "The deafening sound of construction equipment at the bridge site reminded Rick of his impossible choice. Like his mother and generations before her, he was expected to continue the family's legacy of bridge engineering."

### #2 Strengths:

- Good character development through backstory
- Effective use of personal history to build conflict

Weaknesses: Inconsistent Timeline Management → Your narrative jumps between past and present without clear transitions. The mention of his mother's previous career as a doctor comes unexpectedly and needs smoother integration into the story flow.

Exemplar: "Before embracing bridge engineering, his mother had been a doctor herself. Those days when she invited Rick to assist her in treating patients had planted the seeds of his own medical aspirations."

### #3 Strengths:

- Strong internal conflict portrayal
- Effective use of metaphor with "mind was at sea"

Weaknesses: Resolution Rush → Your ending feels hurried and the resolution lacks emotional weight. The sudden switch from intense internal debate to quick decision needs more development to feel authentic.

Exemplar: "Rick's decision weighed heavily as he spoke the words that would shape his future. 'I'll continue as a bridge engineer,' he said, his voice steady despite the storm of doubt in his mind."

Actionable Task: Rewrite the final scene (from Rick's decision moment) focusing on deepening the emotional impact of his choice through internal monologue and physical reactions.

Score: 42/50

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Section 2:

#1 The cacophony of the Cassion ringed Rick's ears. ~~Bridges had been through all of his generations.~~ [Bridge engineering had run through all generations of his family.] His mother's ancestors had all been bridge engineers, but he didn't want to. He wanted to be an assistant doctor in the urban city helping his local citizens.

#2 Sadly, his father died before he was born, and according to his mum, his father would have encouraged him to do whatever job he wanted to do. But his mum wanted him to continue the tradition of bridge engineering. ~~Before his mum started bridge engineering, she worked as a doctor. Every second day, she would invite him to be her assistant, and he loved working around her room and helping her.~~ [During her days as a doctor, before turning to bridge engineering, his mum would invite him to assist her every other day. He loved working in her surgery, helping patients.] Since then, his passion had been helping people and being a doctor.

In 2 weeks, Rick would have the choice to switch jobs. ~~Up to this moment,~~ [Until now,] his mum had been reminding him to stick with bridge engineering, but inside Rick knew he had freedom of what job to choose and he would choose to switch to a doctor. Later on, Rick made a decision that he would decide on the day so he wouldn't stress in the upcoming time.

"Hello Rick, your time has come to decide on your new job, would you like to change?"

#3 ~~Rick's mind was at sea, he was completely clueless as to what to say next.~~ [Rick's mind was at sea; he felt utterly lost for words.] Should he follow his mother's path for him, or should he follow his own path of freedom? His mother had been kind and hospitable to him his whole life after his father died. Now would be the time to make it up to her for all of the work that she has done.

"Alright, I am going to continue to be a bridge engineer,"

"Thanks"

As Rick entered his house, his mother explained that there is always a second chance and that Rick could do what she did, switch jobs. At least he could try different jobs. Who knows, he

might end up enjoying this job more than being a doctor. If it wasn't a good job, then why has it been passed on for generations?



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