Section 1:

#1 (First paragraph) Strengths:

- Your opening establishes a compelling personal connection through your family history
- You effectively introduce multiple key themes that will be explored

Weaknesses: Underdeveloped Context  $\rightarrow$  Your introduction would benefit from more specific details about the historical significance of Three Mile Island before linking it to your personal connection. The phrase "a number of factors" is too vague and could be replaced with concrete examples.

Exemplar: "Three Mile Island's transformation from the site of America's worst commercial nuclear disaster to a potential fusion facility represents a pivotal shift in nuclear energy's evolution, one that resonates deeply with me as both the grandson of a survivor..."

#2 (Third paragraph) Strengths:

- Your technical explanation of fusion is clear and accessible
- You effectively contrast fusion's safety features with fission risks

Weaknesses: Structural Flow  $\rightarrow$  You introduce multiple complex ideas without clear transitions between them. The jump from explaining fusion technology to your personal connection lacks a smooth bridge. "What's more" doesn't effectively link these important concepts.

Exemplar: "Unlike traditional fission reactors, fusion power plants harness the same process that powers our sun, offering an inherently safer alternative that produces minimal radioactive waste while eliminating the risk of catastrophic meltdowns."

#3 (Final paragraph) Strengths:

- Your conclusion effectively ties together past and future
- You maintain an optimistic yet realistic tone

Weaknesses: Redundancy  $\rightarrow$  Your concluding paragraph repeats ideas about transformation and progress without adding new insights. The phrase "into a new energy frontier" echoes similar sentiments expressed earlier without deepening the argument.

Exemplar: "By reimagining Three Mile Island as a fusion facility, we honour both the lessons of our past and our responsibility to future generations, transforming a symbol of nuclear risk into a cornerstone of safe, sustainable energy innovation."

Actionable Task: Rewrite your third paragraph focusing specifically on linking the technical aspects of fusion technology to your personal experience, using your father's work as a concrete example to illustrate fusion's potential.

Score: 43/50

Section 2:

#1 Given the fact that Three Mile Island sits at an [a] historic site, one must consider, in general, a number of factors involving the legacy of nuclear power, the promise of fusion technology, and lessons learned from past accidents when considering the potential repurposing as a fusion power facility. I, Rick-the grandson of a survivor of the fission accident at Three Mile Island and the son of a fusion pioneer-strongly support this transformation.

#2 First, the legacy of nuclear power is chequered with both achievements and tragedies. The incident at Three Mile Island in 1979 serves as a grim reminder of the risks involved with fission-based nuclear energy, showing potential dangers when technology fails or human error occurs. On the other hand, it drove an important evolution in safety protocols and regulatory measures that have since enhanced the industry. It is important to realize [realise] that the study of history, though replete with cautionary tales, also teaches inestimable lessons. Repurposing the site for fusion power can be interpreted as a turn away from the dangerous legacy of fission and as part of an innovative spirit which could rejuvenate a community tied up in painful history.

#3 Fusion technology, often considered the "holy grail" in energy production, has many advantages over traditional nuclear fission. Fusion reactions – processes similar to those that power the sun – generate energy by combining light atomic nuclei and produce minimal long-lived radioactive waste. [Fusion reactions, which mirror the processes powering the sun, generate energy by combining light atomic nuclei whilst producing minimal long-lived radioactive waste.] What's more, the possibility of a catastrophic failure akin to fission power plants, such as at Chernobyl or Fukushima, is practically nil for fusion plants, as the process requires extreme conditions to sustain and will naturally shut off if those conditions are not met. This will involve harnessing the promise of a safe, clean, and virtually limitless energy source by transforming the Three Mile Island site into a fusion facility and further working on active remedies against the fears brought about by its fission counterpart.

Born the son of a fusion pioneer, I have been privileged in having first-hand experience with the potential this technology holds. It has allowed me a peek into the dedication and ingenuity driving research and innovation in this field, and I believe it can also serve as an antidote not only to our energy crisis but also to historical anxieties surrounding nuclear energy. A fusion facility at Three

Mile Island will stand for redemption and hope-a stark message that humankind can learn from its mistakes and take a different route toward sustainability.

This would not only be transformational in an economic and social sense but would also provide considerable benefits. Such a facility would provide jobs, offer investment opportunities, and accommodate research and development activities that enhance local economies. In this way, it can be a source of revitalization [revitalisation] to honour the victims of the accident and a modern path of innovation for future generations.

We may be able to repurpose a Three Mile Island facility for fusion power, thus reminiscing about the past and moving into a progressive future. [The repurposing of Three Mile Island for fusion power represents both an acknowledgement of our past and a bold step towards a progressive future.] It characterizes [characterises] our capability of learning from history, our commitment to the tradition of safety and innovation, and our yearning to adopt renewable energy solutions that will carry us into a new energy frontier. Let us seize this chance to transform a site of tragedy into a beacon of hope and progress.