

## Section 1:

#1: "I woke up at dawn, just when the sun began to rise. The sky was painted in soft shades of pink, and the fresh, earthy scent of the forest filled the air. My heart racing with excitement, I set out for the enchanted forest not far from my house, where magic creatures are said to live and visiting which had always been a dream of mine."

### Strengths:

- Effective use of sensory details to establish the setting
- Strong emotional connection through personal excitement

Weakness: Sentence Structure Inconsistency → The final clause is awkwardly constructed, particularly "visiting which had always been a dream of mine." It disrupts the flow established in the opening sentences.

Exemplar: "I woke up at dawn, just when the sun began to rise. The sky was painted in soft shades of pink, and the fresh, earthy scent of the forest filled the air. My heart racing with excitement, I set out for the enchanted forest not far from my house—a place where magical creatures were said to dwell, and which I had always dreamed of visiting."

#2: "The trees also whispered through the wind that made their branches flutter in a dancing manner. It was sweet to listen as the birds chirped across the air, and one had this feeling that magic is near."

### Strengths:

- Vivid personification of trees
- Effective creation of magical atmosphere

Weakness: Tense Consistency → Your shift between past and present tense ("was sweet to listen" vs "magic is near") creates a jarring reading experience.

Exemplar: "The trees whispered through the wind that made their branches flutter in a dancing manner. It was sweet to listen as the birds chirped across the air, and one had this feeling that magic was near."

#3: "The colourful luminescent wings softly glowing as it shimmered around me. My heart was filled with wonder. It was another worldly feeling and could never be replaced."

### Strengths:

- Beautiful imagery of the magical creature

- Effective emotional resonance

Weakness: Fragment Construction → Your first sentence lacks a main verb and stands as a fragment.

Exemplar: "The colourful luminescent wings glowed softly as it shimmered around me. My heart was filled with wonder. It was an otherworldly feeling that could never be replaced."

Actionable Task: Rewrite the third paragraph focusing specifically on maintaining consistent verb tenses throughout. Circle each verb you use and ensure they all align with your chosen past tense narrative.

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**Overall Score: 42/50**

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Section 2:

A Day in an Enchanted Wonderful Forest December 23, 2016, | 6:00 AM

~~#1 I woke up at dawn, just when the sun began to rise. The sky was painted in soft shades of pink, and the fresh, earthy scent of the forest filled the air. My heart racing with excitement, I set out for the enchanted forest not far from my house, where magic creatures are said to live and visiting which had always been a dream of mine.~~ [I woke up at dawn, just when the sun began to rise. The sky was painted in soft shades of pink, and the fresh, earthy scent of the forest filled the air. My heart racing with excitement, I set out for the enchanted forest not far from my house—a place where magical creatures were said to dwell, and which I had always dreamed of visiting.]

As I stepped into the forest, the crunch of leaves beneath my boots resounded. ~~#2 The trees also whispered through the wind that made their branches flutter in a dancing manner. It was sweet to listen as the birds chirped across the air, and one had this feeling that magic is near.~~ [The trees whispered through the wind that made their branches flutter in a dancing manner. It was sweet to listen as the birds chirped across the air, and one had this feeling that magic was near.] The trees just towered above me, trunks covered with soft, velvety moss that I couldn't avoid touching. The thick coverage of trees closely together made a little opening through the trees.

Very little sunlight penetrated the heavy canopy, yet I could sense its warmth on my face. The deeper into the forest I wandered, the more enveloping it got-like the warm wrapping of a pine-scented, earth-mossed cocoon. Then, suddenly, a small sparkling stream ran into view. Its crystal waters gave [a] good sight of smooth pebbles in the bed. I hunched down to touch it, and

the cold water made my fingers tingle with a delightful chill. The day was calm, however there was a sense of more excitement and anticipation in the atmosphere.

I heard a rustling in the bushes. Turning around, curiously, I watched in wonder as a small glowing creature slowly approached me. It resembled a firefly, and a butterfly put together, softly glowing in shades of blue and red. #3 ~~The colourful luminescent wings softly glowing as it shimmered around me.~~ [The colourful luminescent wings glowed softly as it shimmered around me.] My heart was filled with wonder. ~~It was another worldly feeling and could never be replaced.~~ [It was an otherworldly feeling that could never be replaced.] I closed my eyes, took in deep breaths of cool, fresh air, and let peace and happiness flood my soul. Today, magic had occurred within this place of the enchanted forest, and the memory would always remain within me.