Writing Feedback

TERM 1 2025 - WEEK 7 | Year 4 Reading Comprehension

Section 1:

#1 "Homeless people don't have much food to eat and also don't have a proper place to live. For example, streets, train or Metro stations. We should give money to homeless people for having a little bit better choice."

Strengths: Your opening directly addresses the challenging living conditions faced by homeless people, which creates an immediate emotional connection with readers.

Weaknesses: Underdeveloped argument \rightarrow Your initial claim about giving money lacks sufficient reasoning and context. The phrase "having a little bit better choice" is vague and doesn't clearly explain how monetary donations specifically help homeless individuals. You've mentioned where homeless people live but haven't fully connected this to why money is the solution.

Exemplar: Homeless people suffer daily without access to proper food or shelter, often sleeping in dangerous places like streets and train stations. By giving money directly to them, we can help them afford essential items like food, blankets, and possibly temporary accommodation.

#2 "We have to help homeless people because they need your support. They don't have money to pay the doctor, even though that they are feeling sick. Of course I'm not telling to pay them for doctor, that's the government's responsibility."

Strengths: Your writing shows awareness of healthcare challenges faced by homeless people, and you thoughtfully acknowledge the role of government responsibility.

Weaknesses: Inconsistent pronouns \rightarrow You switch between "we," "your," and "I" within this section, which creates confusion about who is speaking and who is being addressed. The phrase "even though that they are feeling sick" is awkwardly structured and weakens your argument about healthcare access.

Exemplar: We must help homeless people because they desperately need our support. Many cannot afford medical care when they fall ill, and whilst healthcare is ultimately the government's responsibility, our small contributions can help them access immediate care when needed.

#3 "Do you want them to be happier, so tell at least ten friends to help homeless people. You can also hand out posters to convince people on the street to help homeless people. I hope you will listen to me. THANK YOU!!"

Strengths: Your conclusion offers practical actions readers can take, which makes your writing more purposeful and solution-oriented.

Weaknesses: Abrupt closing \rightarrow The final section jumps too quickly to specific actions without properly building up to them. The phrase "Do you want them to be happier" is presented as a question but structured as a statement, which disrupts the flow of your persuasive appeal. The sudden shift to capital letters for "THANK YOU!!" appears too informal for a persuasive piece.

Exemplar: If you want to make a real difference in homeless people's lives, please share this message with at least ten friends. You could also create and distribute posters in your community to raise awareness about homelessness. Together, we can bring hope and comfort to those who need it most.

■ Your writing shows genuine concern for homeless people, which is commendable. However, your piece would be more convincing if you provided specific examples of how money helps homeless individuals. Try expanding your first paragraph to explain exactly what homeless people might purchase with donations. Also, your writing jumps between different ideas without smooth transitions. You could improve this by adding connecting phrases like "Furthermore" or "In addition" between your key points. Your conclusion needs more development—perhaps explain the long-term benefits of community involvement rather than simply asking readers to tell friends. Consider organising your thoughts into clearer paragraphs with one main idea in each. Your passion for the topic is clear, but strengthening the structure and adding more specific details would make your writing more persuasive.

Score: 36/50

Section 2:

Homeless people don't have much food to eat and also don't have a proper place to live. For example, streets, train or Metro stations. [For example, they sleep on streets or in train and Metro stations.] We should give money to homeless people for having a little bit better choice. [little bit better choices in life.]

- #1 We have to help homeless people because they need your support. [We have to help homeless people because they need our support.] They don't have money to pay the doctor, even though that they are feeling siek. [even when they are feeling sick.] Of course I'm not telling to pay them for doctor, [I'm not suggesting we pay for their doctor's visits,] that's the government's responsibility. But you can give them two dollars and if everyone give [everyone gives] homeless people two dollars, they will save money and finally can go to see the doctor.
- #2 Do you want them to be happier, so tell at least ten friends to help homeless people. [Do you want them to be happier? If so, tell at least ten friends to help homeless people.] You can also hand out posters to convince people on the street to help homeless people. I hope you will listen to me. THANK YOU!! [Thank you!]