

Section 1:

#1 Strengths: You've clearly stated your position against the library demolition and provided a numbered list of reasons, which helps organize your thoughts.

Weaknesses: Ineffective opening → Your first paragraph lacks impact and contains grammatical errors that weaken your argument. The phrase "I am finding a struggle in being in favour of" is confusing—it's unclear whether you support or oppose the demolition. Also, phrases like "lots of trouble" and "lots of traffic" are vague and don't convey the severity of the issue.

Exemplar: ***I am writing to express my strong opposition to the proposed demolition of our local town library to build a parking lot. This decision would have serious consequences for our community, particularly for our children.***

#2 Strengths: You've included a creative solution (underground parking) which shows you're thinking constructively rather than just complaining.

Weaknesses: Informal tone and inconsistent reasoning → Your discussion about traffic uses an overly casual tone with phrases like "you're basically asking for traffic" and includes a solution that appears suddenly without proper development. The comparison to "other nearby malls" doesn't strengthen your argument because libraries and malls serve different purposes. The reasoning jumps between different points without clear transitions.

Exemplar: ***The proposed parking lot would significantly increase traffic congestion in our already busy town centre. Instead, I suggest creating underground parking beneath the existing library structure, which would preserve the library while still addressing parking needs.***

#3 Strengths: You emphasize potential community backlash, which is a practical consideration for a councillor.

Weaknesses: Exaggerated claims and threatening tone → Your discussion of protests includes statements that could be interpreted as threats, like "parents going knock knock at your door" and comparing the demolition to "suing the whole population." These exaggerations undermine your credibility and may make the councillor defensive rather than receptive to your ideas.

Exemplar: ***The demolition of our beloved library would likely result in significant community opposition. Many parents and children who rely on the library would feel their needs are being ignored, potentially damaging trust between residents and the council.***

■ Your persuasive letter shows you care deeply about your community library, which is commendable. However, you need stronger evidence to support your main points. For example, when mentioning the distance to the next library, provide the actual distance rather than saying

"kilometres away." Your letter would be more persuasive if you focused on specific benefits the library provides to the community. Additionally, your tone shifts between formal and casual, which weakens your argument. Try to maintain a respectful, consistent tone throughout. Your solution of underground parking is creative but needs more development. Consider expanding on this idea with practical details about how it could work. Also, try to conclude your letter with a specific request for action rather than simply stating opposition.

Overall Score: 41/50

Section 2:

Dear Councillor McLean,

~~I am sincerely writing to you because I am finding a struggle in being in favour of the demolition of our local town library with a parking lot as replacement.~~ [I am writing to express my strong concern about the proposal to demolish our local town library and replace it with a parking lot.]

I have three points why you should not do this;

1. It will cause ~~lots of~~ [significant] trouble for children to find books and learn, ~~from~~ [as] the next closest ~~one~~ [library] is kilometres away
2. The parking ~~lots~~ [lot] will cause ~~lots of~~ [increased] traffic nearby in the urbanised areas
3. It may also ~~confer~~ [provoke] many protests, or direct hate to the council

I am sure none of these are in your ~~fond areas~~ [best interests]. So together, we should stop it!

#1 My first reason is ~~for the kids to have limited reading options~~ [that children will have limited access to reading materials]. Do you not think that some ~~random~~ [local] kid could ~~actually~~ be depressed by not being able to read their favourite Spiderman comics? Well if not, you're probably wrong, because there are a number of children who probably do. In fact, I know a friend that held a street interview, and 87% of children in the neighbourhood, Slim Shady, think that this will decrease their self esteem and reading capabilities.

#2 Secondly, you're basically asking for traffic. I do not think you are remembering, but the current library is placed in the centre of the suburb. But even if that is not enough, there is a shopping mall right next to it. There is a massive solution to removing the library, which is in fact, so obvious I do not think anyone has thought about it. The solution is to make the parking lot underground. All of the other nearby malls don't just get rid of kid's favourite libraries, do they? I hope not. You could simply do this, and thus everything else will be solved.

#3 Last, but never say it is least, protests. A major downside to this operation. ~~Now even if you do not listen to me, there will still be parents going knock knock at your door to have a little chat.~~

[If this plan proceeds, many concerned parents will likely contact you to express their disagreement.] It is like saying 'Hey guys! I'm suing the whole population of this neighbourhood!' A little bit of, knock knock.

Now, as a citizen of your town, I do not want people to come to hate you. I really do not. But if you are going to demolish a favoured] place by all children, it's like you are asking for it.

Thank you for reading my email. I am sure to [like] you ~~that you~~ [I] are not fond of hate, (nobody is), traffic caused hugely in the area, and a lot of unhappy children. As I said, you do not have to do this ~~monstrosity~~ [concerning project]. It is your choice, not the public's.

Yours sincerely, Ayaan Talwar