

Section 1:

#1 Strengths: Your use of metaphors effectively creates vivid imagery about climate change. The "toxic fog" and "parched earth" help readers visualize the dire consequences.

Weaknesses: Inconsistent tone → Your opening paragraph shifts between formal and informal tones, which makes your message less impactful. Phrases like "it's closer than you think" followed by technical explanations create an uneven reading experience. Exemplar: ***Imagine our Earth within just a century: a barren world where toxic fog drifts across every street and water is rationed like a precious commodity. This future isn't merely fiction—it's becoming our reality.***

#2 Strengths: Your personal anecdote about the beach closure adds emotional weight to your argument. It connects climate change to real, relatable experiences.

Weaknesses: Underdeveloped personal story → Your beach anecdote ends abruptly without fully explaining how this connects to your broader argument about climate change. Phrases like "to my sister and me eternal dismay" introduce the emotional impact but don't explore the deeper implications. Exemplar: ***During our family's summer vacation, my sister and I discovered our traditional beach visit was impossible due to dangerous coastal erosion caused by climate change. This wasn't just disappointing—it was a firsthand glimpse of our changing world, and my sister missed experiencing a cherished family tradition.***

#3 Strengths: Your three-step action plan provides clear, practical solutions for readers. The structure makes your recommendations easy to follow and implement.

Weaknesses: Vague suggestions → Your call to action lacks specific, actionable details. Phrases like "we must start recycling" and "we must be conscious of our day-to-day choices" are too general to inspire meaningful change. Exemplar: ***Start recycling by separating plastics, paper and glass in your home. Choose renewable energy by asking your parents about installing solar panels or switching to green energy providers. Make conscious daily choices by bringing reusable bags when shopping and using refillable water bottles.***

■ Your persuasive piece effectively uses rhetorical techniques like metaphors, anaphora, and rhetorical questions to create emotional impact. However, your arguments would be stronger with more specific examples. For instance, when discussing Australian bushfires, add details about when they occurred and their specific impacts. Your call to action needs clearer steps that readers can follow immediately. Additionally, your introduction could be more focused—try starting with a single powerful image rather than several. The piece would also benefit from a stronger conclusion that reinforces your main points and leaves readers with a memorable final thought. Try creating smoother transitions between paragraphs to help your ideas flow better.

Finally, consider strengthening your counterargument section by acknowledging opposing views more respectfully before presenting your rebuttal.

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**Score: 41/50**

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Section 2:

Imagine a barren world devoid of life, where toxic fog drifts across the bleak landscape, encompassing every street, every corner, everything (Metaphor). This could be our Earth within just a century- it's [it's] closer than you think. Envision ~~reaches~~ [reaching] for a glass of water only to be rationed like a precious commodity and given out in droplets. Feel the cracked, parched earth beneath your feet, a testament to our dying earth. This is not just some dystopian future, it's a very possible reality. #1

Our planet, our home, stands at the brink of total destruction. How many more global catastrophes can we endure before the inevitable? (Rhetorical Question) This climate crisis isn't approaching-it's already prevalent and at our doorstep.

All of this is caused by climate change. But what exactly is climate change? Climate change or global warming is a change in weather or temperature over an extended period. Added together, it can raise temperatures to the point of notice. It devours coastlines like ravenous beasts, and it melts the ice sheets like a blazing torch (similies), these and more are the atrocities caused by global warming. Yet despite knowing this, we continue to face disaster.

Consider, for a moment, the world that awaits future generations. Scientists predict that without immediate action, our oceans, once teeming with aquatic life, will become uninhabited and acidic. Is this the legacy we want to leave to our children? (Rhetorical Question) This crisis affects our past, our present, and our future. (Tricolon)

In Australia, the once beautiful bush and wetlands have transformed into a hellscape where fire engulfs everything in sight, because of the rising temperatures. We doom millions of animals dependent on the bush for survival to slow, excruciatingly painful deaths. In Antarctica, the ice sheets are slowly being consumed by the sea and contributing to the rising sea levels that are threatening many coastal ecosystems. We cannot ignore the wildfires, we cannot ignore the melting ice sheets, we cannot ignore climate change. (Anaphora)

These crises are only the beginning of a much more dreadful era. When we talk about climate change, we talk about it like a far-away reality. Make no mistake. These events are the symptoms of a much deeper planetary fever. (Metaphor)

During a beach trip on summer vacation, my sister and I were looking forward to visiting the local beach. It was a yearly tradition in our family and meant a lot to us. But to my sister and me

[my] eternal dismay, the beach had been closed a week earlier due to dangerous coastal erosions ~~due by~~ [caused by] climate change. That was supposed to be my sister's first visit. #2

Some might say that taking a stand against climate change is a moral choice, not an economic one. They say that the money spent on renewable energy and cleaning up could severely weaken the economy, leading ~~way to~~ [to] an economic crisis. While this argument is valid, research from the Department and Regulation of Renewable Energy shows that renewable energy is still in its early phases and creates more jobs than the fossil fuels industry. Within the last year, the renewable sector employed 25,000 Australians, and the numbers are rising steadily.

The real economic crisis would come from failing to act. The Climate Regulation Council estimates that climate disasters would cause governments a total of 100 billion annually by 2050 if nothing is done. By transitioning to renewables, we can create new jobs while creating a thriving world.

We stand at the crossroads of human history. One path leads us down the road of destruction, and the other, the one I urge you to take, leads to a thriving, prosperous world. So, what can we do to achieve a sustainable future? First, we must start recycling. Recycling lowers our carbon footprint drastically. Unfortunately, according to a 2018 survey by the University of Sydney, only a small portion of plastic gets recycled. Secondly, we must switch to a sustainable form of energy, such as solar panels and wind turbines. Thirdly, we must be conscious of our day-to-day choices, for example, buying plastic things or eating out. #3 ~~I implore you to join a larger movement to act upon climate change.~~ [I implore you to join larger movements that act upon climate change.] In this changing world, inaction means doom. We must protect our oceans, we must protect our forests, we must protect our future. (epistrophe)