

Section 1:

#1 "The playground is a complete war-zone, and I request you for help to persuade our principal to fix this DISASTER. Last week I saw poor kindergartener, Charlie, fall off the swing as it literally lurched forward because of the screws grounding it being loosened."

Strengths: Your use of a specific example with Charlie adds credibility to your argument. The emotive language ("war-zone", "DISASTER") effectively conveys urgency.

Weaknesses: Exaggerated tone → Your extremely dramatic language might make readers doubt your credibility. Phrases like "complete war-zone" and "DISASTER" in all capitals might seem over-the-top and reduce the seriousness of your message. Consider using more measured but still persuasive language.

Exemplar: ***The playground has become dangerous and urgently needs repairs. I witnessed young Charlie from kindergarten fall when the swing suddenly lurched forward due to loose foundation screws.***

#2 "This not only is a robber of fun, but also of genuine exercise, safety, and a mental break. So I have devised a simple plan, and created a committee to assist in our ventures to revive the playground."

Strengths: You've effectively highlighted multiple negative impacts beyond just safety. Including a solution shows initiative and positive action.

Weaknesses: Vague description → Your plan introduction lacks specific details about how the committee will function. The phrase "robber of fun" sounds childish compared to your more compelling points about exercise and mental health. You need to create a stronger connection between the problems and your proposed solution.

Exemplar: ***The deteriorating playground prevents us from exercising safely and enjoying essential breaks from schoolwork. To address these issues, I've formed the School Playground Saving Committee with the following specific actions:***

#3 "But with our combined effort, we can do better than normal, and relive the glistening moments of joy when we play. Imagine your dream playground materialising into existence, not just a burning yearn, but a reality. From indifference to compassion; from dreadful to divine; from I to us, we can do it."

Strengths: Your inspirational closing creates a powerful vision of what could be achieved. The poetic structure with repetition ("from...to") creates a memorable ending.

Weaknesses: Unclear vision → While emotionally appealing, your description lacks practical details about what the improved playground would actually include. Phrases like "burning yearn" and "glistening moments" sound flowery without adding substance. You need to balance inspiration with clearer goals.

Exemplar: ***With everyone's support, we can transform our playground from dangerous to delightful. Imagine secure equipment, safe surfaces, and a space where we can all play without worry. By working together—sharing our concerns and ideas—we can turn this vision into reality.***

■ Your persuasive piece shows passion and creativity, but needs more balance between emotional appeals and practical evidence. You've identified several playground problems well, but your language sometimes becomes too dramatic, which might make readers question if the situation is really that bad. Try focusing on 2-3 of your strongest examples (like Charlie falling) rather than listing every possible issue. Also, your call to action could be clearer about exactly what you want classmates to do first. The sections where you describe specific steps (taking photos, starting a petition) are the strongest parts of your piece—expand these with more details. Consider adding a timeline for when you want actions completed. Your opening could grab attention better by starting with a concrete example rather than general statements about corrosion. Additionally, add a sentence or two about how the school might benefit from fixing the playground to show you understand different perspectives.

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**Score: 40/50**

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Section 2:

Hey fellow classmates! Did you notice something yesterday when you were on the climbing frame? I have, and that is that it's CORRODING!!! This is ABSOLUTELY TRAUMATISING. Like, imagine if you were just swinging around the monkey bars and it DROPS YOU TO THE FLOOR. You would need to go to the ambulance. And what about the other problems of this catastrophe? Well your fitness levels would plummet, and you would be so anxiously paranoid that you would never touch the playground again.

#1 ~~The playground is a complete war zone, and I request you for help to persuade our principal to fix this DISASTER.~~ [The playground has become dangerous, and I need your help to persuade our principal to fix this serious problem.] Last week I saw poor kindergartener, Charlie, fall off the swing as it literally lurched forward because of the screws grounding it being loosened. This wasn't just a mere chance, it's practically inevitable to fall off the swing because of the torrents of time making it a moldy piece of bread (The kind you could find in archeological sites). There are also enough craters in the oval (maybe a bit over 60) that astronauts could call it the moon, and rusty basketball hoops that belong in a museum. At any moment, playground

equipment could come RAINING from where they were bolted from, causing significant injury to anyone under this potential shower. We NEED to fix this.

Right now, the uneven wet surfaces launch you to the sun when you play on it, making your face land in a GARGANTUAN PUDDLE. The jagged metal on the steps to the playground is really painful when they poke you in the ankles (Trust me; I know how much it hurts). The steepening slide ends abruptly into a jillion lakes of mud. What a perfect playground design.

~~#2 This not only is a robber of fun, but also of genuine exercise, safety, and a mental break.~~ [These unsafe conditions prevent us from enjoying fun, exercise, safety and necessary mental breaks.] So I have devised a simple plan, and created a committee to assist in our ventures to revive the playground. Here it is:

❖ If you have a phone, snap photographs and videos of construction flaws and people getting injured (Remember to keep it real!). We can send these photographs to our principal, to create visual evidence. ❖ Send stories about personal accidents around the playground ❖ Start a petition about these issues throughout the neighbourhood ❖ Most important of all, persuade others to join the School Playground Saving Committee (SpS Committee)

Please help me in this rescue, and together we will be able to be in a haven of dreams, hopes, and thoughts. Imagine a smooth, shaded playground, everything heavily bolted together, and not smelling like blue cheese. Imagine basketball hoops that don't swing scarily when you dunk on them. This is already a normal school playground.

#3 But with our combined effort, we can do better than normal, and relive the glistening moments of joy when we play. ~~Imagine your dream playground materialising into existence, not just a burning yearn, but a reality.~~ [Imagine your dream playground becoming real, not just something we wish for, but something we create together.] From indifference to compassion; from dreadful to divine; from I to us, we can do it. But only if we work together.

Thank you for your time, Nandu Praveen