

### Section 1:

**Part #1: First paragraph** Strengths: Your opening effectively establishes your position as a student affected by the library. You create emotional appeal through phrases like "cherished library" and "priceless artifact." Weakness: Imprecise language and repetition → Your paragraph contains repetitive descriptors like "extremely" used multiple times, and contains imprecise terms such as "prestigious" and "exclusive" without clarifying what makes the library valuable. These vague descriptions reduce the persuasive impact of your argument. Exemplar: *"Dear Council, as a student whose academic journey has been significantly enhanced by our library's resources, I implore you to reconsider the planned demolition of this vital community asset. The library serves as both an educational cornerstone and a sanctuary for countless residents."*

**Part #2: Second paragraph** Strengths: You've effectively highlighted the emotional significance of the library as a "second home" and emphasised its multi-faceted role in the community. Weakness: Redundant phrasing → You repeat similar ideas using different phrases such as "heartbreaking and devastating" without adding new information. The paragraph lacks concrete examples of how the library specifically benefits the community. Exemplar: *"The library's removal would profoundly impact our community, eliminating not only a quiet space for concentration but also a hub for social connection. Rather than demolition, I believe the Council has the unique opportunity to enhance this beloved institution through thoughtful renovation."*

**Part #3: Third paragraph** Strengths: You've included expert opinion and statistical evidence about literacy decline, which strengthens your argument. You've also addressed a counterargument about the shopping complex. Weakness: Underdeveloped evidence → While you mention Professor Jamal Simmey and statistics from Sabinia, you don't provide sufficient context for these examples or explain how they directly relate to your local situation. The transition between counterargument and your rebuttal lacks clarity. Exemplar: *"While proponents argue that a shopping complex would boost employment and generate revenue, they overlook the substantial maintenance costs and the irreplaceable educational value the library provides. Professor Jamal Simmey of Harvard University has demonstrated that 'daily reading, even just one page, is strongly correlated with academic achievement and career success.' This finding is*

*supported by concerning data from Sabinia, where school performance declined by 39% within three months of their library's demolition."*

■ Your piece shows genuine passion and emotional investment in saving the library, which creates a personal connection with readers. However, to strengthen your argument, focus on providing more specific examples of how the library benefits various community members. Also, your evidence needs more development—when citing statistics or expert opinions, explain their significance and relevance to your specific situation. The structure of your letter could be improved by grouping similar points together and creating clearer transitions between paragraphs. Try to vary your sentence structure and avoid repeating emotional appeals without backing them up with concrete details. Adding specific examples of library programmes, resources, or personal stories would make your argument more compelling. Additionally, consider addressing more potential counterarguments to demonstrate that you've thoroughly considered all perspectives.

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**Overall Score: 41/50**

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## **Section 2:**

Dear Council,

As a student who has been nurtured by the library's profound benefits, I propose that you do not go forth with the demolition of our cherished library. The library is ~~extremely~~ [immensely] prestigious to our society and is found to be ~~extremely~~ [exceptionally] exclusive. The library displays a sign of peace and welcoming. Would you want to be the one responsible for destroying this priceless artifact? It truly would be a disappointment, an atrocity, a disgrace to crush everyone's most dearest setting. ~~Mr~~ [Dear] Council, you shouldn't take down this masterpiece. Taking the library down is almost detrimental to the public as the library stands as a spot for peace, learning, thrills, and many others. The library is like a second home for some souls, and it would be heartbreaking and devastating if it were taken away from them.

#2: Taking the library ~~will~~ [would] massively impact our community, stealing all the peace and quietness that the library ~~maintained~~ [maintains]. If someone were to be able to

make the library better instead of taking it away, it most definitely would be you council! The urge to take the library away may be tempting however, the fact that damage definitely will be made is honestly disrespectful. Although the library could have some development and progress in its structure the library is still very much in a good condition. Taking something that is extremely important to the community not only deprives the community's trust but will also make the community lack its most famous setting. When hearing about taking down the library it feels like being stabbed in the chest, like losing something that is extremely important ~~towards~~ [to] not only myself, but to everyone else.

#3: Although some may argue that a modern shopping complex may be beneficial in some ways such as things like employment and more money generation [,] ~~However~~ having a complex shopping center also ~~maintains~~ [involves] many disadvantages such as maintenance which could be very ~~much~~ costly. ~~Whilst~~ [While] if the library demolition proceeds it could also be extremely expensive. Professor Jamal Simmey a professor at Harvard University has claimed [,] "Reading even one page of a book a day could lead to major success in the future." In another suburb called Sabinia [where they] demolished their local library and the local school had noticed that some of the fellow students had a major decline in their learning and growth. Results have shown that the students' growth has gone down by 39 percent in just a time of 3 months. These terrible results should not happen to some of the kids at our local schools.

#1: As someone who has been found to be included in the growth of learning by the library, this letter comes sincerely, straight from my heart and I am begging you Mr Council with this appeal to let me, and everyone else in the community, continue to enjoy this library. Taking the library will extinguish the most valuable thing we have and also extinguish our trust in you. This letter is written with the utmost respect and humility from one of your fellow citizens of the wonderful community.