

Writing Feedback

TERM 1 2025 | 17th April | DAY 4 | HOLIDAY WRITING

Section 1:

#1 (First paragraph): Strengths: Your piece creates immediate impact with an attention-grabbing headline. You've included key figures (Putin and Zelenskyy) with a direct quote that adds authenticity. Weakness: Sensationalist language → Your opening relies heavily on sensationalist language with excessive use of exclamation points and dramatic declarations without providing balanced context or factual grounding. For example, "WORLD WAR III COULD HAPPEN RIGHT NOW!" creates alarm rather than informative reporting. Exemplar: *A significant escalation in the Russia-Ukraine conflict has raised international concerns as Russian President Vladimir Putin intensifies military operations against Ukraine, prompting European and Asian nations to choose sides in what analysts fear could potentially develop into a wider global conflict.*

#2 (Third paragraph): Strengths: Your writing demonstrates knowledge of specific military equipment, showing research effort. You've included technical details about weaponry that add credibility. Weakness: Technical detail without context → You present technical military specifications without explaining their significance or relevance to readers. For instance, you mention "T-14 Armata" with detailed specifications but don't explain why this matters to the average reader or the conflict's development. Exemplar: *Russia's deployment of fifteen T-14 Armata tanks—advanced weapons platforms known for their exceptional mobility, armour protection, and 125mm precision weaponry—represents a concerning escalation in the conflict, as military experts suggest this level of equipment could overwhelm Ukraine's defensive capabilities in the contested Kharkiv region.*

#3 (Last paragraph): Strengths: Your conclusion attempts to provide perspective on the broader implications of the conflict. You've included a relevant anti-war quote that reinforces your point. Weakness: Abrupt conclusion → The conclusion shifts suddenly to an editorial stance without properly summarizing the article's key points or providing balanced analysis. Phrases like "Don't think this is a small feat" and the sudden introduction of a quote feel disconnected from the reporting style of the previous paragraphs. Exemplar: *As tensions escalate in Kharkiv, international diplomats warn that the conflict's expansion beyond Ukraine's borders remains a genuine possibility, with potential global consequences. Peace advocates cite Ron Kovic's wisdom that*

"war is not the answer, violence is not the solution," whilst calling for renewed diplomatic efforts to prevent further escalation.

■ Your piece demonstrates enthusiasm and engagement with the topic, but would benefit significantly from a more structured approach to news reporting. The writing lacks essential journalistic elements such as attribution of facts, balanced perspectives, and context about why this matters to readers. Additionally, your article would be strengthened by organising information in descending order of importance (inverted pyramid style) rather than mixing dramatic claims with technical details. Also, consider including information about humanitarian impacts and international diplomatic efforts to resolve the conflict. Your writing shows potential, but needs more focus on verified information rather than speculative language. Try revising with careful attention to separating facts from opinions and providing sources for your claims. Remember that effective news writing should inform rather than alarm readers.

Score: 37/50

Section 2:

WORLD WAR III COULD HAPPEN RIGHT NOW!

Putin, the president of Russia [has] ~~declares~~ [declared] war on Ukraine! Most ~~Europe~~ [European] countries are providing ~~recourses~~ [resources] and soldiers for Ukraine, and a lot of Asian countries are supporting Russia! Will this just be two brothers fighting, or will it be worse [?] If you are in Europe or Asia, you might have to evacuate to a safer place. "If you want war, we are ready for it," said Volodymyr Zelenskyy, the president of Ukraine. #1

Fighter Jets, Tanks, and soldiers are gathering ~~up~~ at ~~Kharkivo~~ [Kharkiv], ~~an~~ [a] Ukraine city that had been taken by Russia. A lot of train ~~station~~ [stations] in Eurasia are blocked, filled with trains carrying supplies. The war ~~that have~~ [that has] been continuing for 3 years, since February 24th 2022 to today, ~~all the~~ [has claimed] countless souls that have been lost. All the soldiers lost in war, and all the innocent citizens who have been rained ~~by~~ [upon with] bombs. China gave Russia many drones, the drones are strong enough to take down at least ten men without getting shot down. While ~~United states of America~~ [the United States of America],

England, France and many European countries provided Ukraine with ~~many~~ [substantial] money.

~~T-14 Armata is a world famous tank Russia has, it utilises high motility and speed, strong metal that can tank thousands of explosion and bullets, and a ultra charged fire power on a 125mm gun that is destructive and accurate.~~ [The T-14 Armata, a world-famous Russian tank, utilises high mobility and speed, strong metal that can withstand thousands of explosions and bullets, and ultra-charged firepower on a 125mm gun that is destructive and accurate.] It is estimated that Russia ~~had~~ [has] around 20 Armatas, and ~~about~~ [is] to send fifteen to war. #2

The artilleries and missiles of Ukraine are super powerful, the explosion radius is around 7 metres and the explosion power is enough to collapse a whole tower down. Helicopters sent by Ukraine went to ~~Kharkivo~~ [Kharkiv] to investigate what Russia is currently doing. It is estimated that when the war ~~stars~~ [starts], the whole ~~Kharkivo~~ [Kharkiv] will turn into ~~the~~ [a] wasteland, because of how ~~much~~ [many] advanced technology bombs, missiles and explosions there will be.

Don't think this is a small feat, it might lead to World War Three at any moment, even right now. We hope this war will never happen. Ron Kovic once said "war is not the answer, violence is not the solution." #3