

Section 1:

#1 "I firmly believe that solar power should be mandatory for all homes, as it is a highly beneficial source of energy that is renewable and sustainable."

Strengths:

- Clear position statement that establishes your viewpoint immediately
- Good introduction of key attributes (renewable and sustainable)

Weakness: Limited development → Your opening statement makes a strong claim but doesn't provide context or background about the current energy situation. The statement would be more compelling with brief contextual information about why this mandate might be necessary now. The phrase "highly beneficial" is vague and could be replaced with more specific language.

Exemplar: *I firmly believe that solar power should be mandatory for all homes, as this renewable energy source offers a sustainable solution to our growing electricity demands and environmental challenges.*

#2 "A good reason to use solar power is that it provides significant environmental benefits. By using solar power instead of fossil fuels, it decreases greenhouse gas emissions and air pollution, leading to a healthier and cleaner planet for us. Solar power also has a low environmental impact during operation, so they do not produce noise or waste."

Strengths:

- Good focus on environmental benefits with specific examples
- Effective comparison with fossil fuels to highlight advantages

Weakness: Inconsistent pronouns and transitional flow → Your paragraph shifts between using "it" and "they" when referring to solar power, creating confusion. The phrase "a good reason" is quite casual and undersells the importance of the environmental benefits. The connection between sentences could be strengthened with better transitions to create a more cohesive argument.

Exemplar: *Solar power provides significant environmental benefits through reduced greenhouse gas emissions and air pollution, resulting in a healthier planet for everyone. Furthermore, solar energy systems operate quietly and produce minimal waste, unlike traditional power sources.*

#3 "In conclusion, solar energy is a very good addition to our home, but does have some minor issues. Otherwise, go install some solar panels now!"

Strengths:

- Clear signal that the piece is concluding
- Maintains enthusiasm for the topic

Weakness: Abrupt conclusion with limited synthesis → Your conclusion suddenly shifts from discussing mandatory implementation to personal recommendation, abandoning the main argument established in your introduction. The phrase "very good addition" diminishes the strength of your earlier arguments about why solar should be mandatory. The conclusion would be more effective if it reinforced your main points and addressed the "minor issues" you mentioned.

Exemplar: *In conclusion, despite initial installation costs, the environmental benefits and long-term energy savings make solar power an essential technology that should be integrated into all homes through supportive government policies and financial incentives.*

■ Your piece shows enthusiasm for solar energy but needs more depth and supporting evidence. The middle paragraphs contain good points about environmental benefits and scalability, but these ideas need further development. For instance, when you mention that solar power decreases greenhouse gas emissions, you could provide a simple statistic or example to strengthen this claim. Your argument about making solar mandatory would be more convincing if you addressed the financial concerns more thoroughly rather than dismissing them as "minor drawbacks." Also, consider including a paragraph about potential solutions to the cost issue, such as government rebates or payment plans. Try to maintain a consistent focus throughout your piece—you begin by arguing that solar power should be mandatory but end with a casual recommendation. Work on creating stronger transitions between paragraphs to help your reader follow your reasoning more easily.

Score: 38/50

Section 2:

Solar Power

I firmly believe that solar power should be mandatory for all homes, as it is a highly beneficial source of energy that is renewable and sustainable. #1

A good reason to use solar power is that it provides significant environmental benefits. By using solar power instead of fossil fuels, it decreases greenhouse gas emissions and air pollution, leading to a healthier and cleaner planet for us. Solar power also has a low environmental impact during operation, ~~so they do~~ [as it does] not produce noise or waste. #2

The scalability of solar power is another great feature. Solar power systems can be ~~rooftop installations or vast solar farms, proving its flexibility.~~ [installed on rooftops or as vast solar farms, proving their flexibility.] Plus, the addition of solar panels everywhere boosts energy production everywhere, ~~anytime.~~ [at any time.]

While the benefits of making solar power mandatory in all homes are countless, there are some minor drawbacks. For example, the costs of installing solar panels on some households might be a challenge ~~some may face.~~ [for many families to overcome.]

~~In conclusion, solar energy is a very good addition to our home, but does have some minor issues. Otherwise, go install some solar panels now!~~ [In conclusion, despite some implementation challenges, solar energy remains an essential solution for our environmental future that deserves widespread adoption through mandatory policies.] #3