

Section 1:

#1 Strengths: Your introduction establishes Varun's character and living situation effectively. You've created a sympathetic protagonist with clear traits (timid, loves reading) and a challenging background.

Weakness: Inconsistent tense usage → You shift between present tense ("he lives") and past tense ("there lived", "he was") which creates confusion for your reader. Also, the spelling of "library" disrupts the flow of your storytelling.

Exemplar: ***Once upon a time there lived a boy called Varun. He was very timid and loved to read. He lived with both of his parents in an old library. They were very poor, and the only meal they received was dinner. Even though they faced hardships, they all remained positive.***

#2 Strengths: You introduce an intriguing magical element with the strange animal and the mysterious invitation to adventure. The description of the creature is creative and visually interesting.

Weakness: Rushed plot development → The transition from finding the map to accepting the quest happens too quickly without showing Varun's thought process or hesitation despite the warning about putting his "life on the line." This makes his decision feel unrealistic.

Exemplar: ***Varun stared at the warning on the map. 'If you wish to put your life on the line for treasure, this is for you.' He thought about his family's poverty and how a treasure could change their lives forever. Despite his timid nature, he made his decision. "I accept," he whispered nervously. Suddenly, a bright blue light enveloped him. Whoosh! He was gone without a trace!***

#3 Strengths: Your ending wraps up the adventure and shows the positive outcome for Varun and his family. You've created a complete story with a beginning, middle and resolution.

Weakness: Underdeveloped conclusion → The ending feels abrupt and doesn't fully explain how Varun returned home or what treasure he received. The resolution lacks emotional weight and reflection on how the adventure changed Varun.

Exemplar: ***Varun jolted back to life and found himself standing in front of his parents, who were staring at him in awe. "How do you have so much money?" they asked, pointing to the chest of gold coins that had appeared beside him. Varun smiled as he explained his adventure in Mystepia. Thanks to the treasure, they were able to move into a proper home, never worry about meals again, and Varun even got his own collection of books. Most importantly, though he was still timid in some ways, Varun had discovered a bravery inside himself that he never knew existed.***

■ Your story shows wonderful creativity and imagination with the fantasy world of Mystepia and its unique creatures. The plot follows a classic adventure structure which works well. To improve the

substance of your writing, focus on developing your main character's emotional journey throughout the story. How does Varun feel about being transported to a strange world? Is he scared, excited, or both? Show us his reactions to help readers connect with him. Also, slow down key moments in your story to build tension and suspense. For example, when the lion-elephant hybrid is chasing Varun, describe his fear in more detail. Add sensory details throughout your story—what does Mystepia smell like? What sounds can Varun hear? What do things feel like when he touches them? This will make your world feel more real to readers. Additionally, work on creating smoother transitions between scenes to help your story flow better. Your creative ideas are strong—now bring them to life with more details and emotional depth.

Score: 38/50

Section 2:

Once ~~apon~~ [upon] a time there lived a boy called Varun he was very timid and loved to read. He ~~lives~~ [lived] with both of his parents in a old ~~library~~ [library]. They were very poor and the only meal they got was dinner. Even though they had hardships they all remained positive. #1

One stormy day when Varun was walking back from school a strange little animal walked in front of him. This peculiar looking animal trotted around him, it had 4 eyes, 3 legs and one enormous horn. It carried a neatly folded ~~envelope~~ [envelope], written in it was 'Follow this map and it will lead you to treasure' below this writing was a map, underneath it in small print it wrote 'If you wish to put your life on the line for treasure this is for you'. Varun always wanted to have a normal life like his friends, so he instantly accepted. Suddenly a bright blue light ~~enveloped~~ [enveloped] him. Whoosh, he was gone without a trace! #2

Varun watched his ~~surrounding~~ [surroundings] curiously looking at the ~~fantastical~~ [fantastical] wildlife. As he watched all the animals he noticed they were all ~~unique~~ [unique]. Varun realized that he was clutching the map now it had a new font and writing on it, he read the writing 'You have now entered the land of Mystepia, follow the map and complete the quest and you shall be set free with treasure'. Scanning the map he saw the quest 'Find this animal' below it was a picture of a hybrid bird. ~~Immediately~~ [Immediately] a camera popped in his hands, and he knew that he ~~ha~~ [had] to take a photo of the animal.

He began the journey through a forest spotting some disturbing animals. Slithering past the undiscovered flora and fauna. While ~~discovering~~ [exploring] through the jungle a big elephant lion hybrid spotted him, Varun ran for his life, running faster than ever before. Struggling to maintain his energy he slowed down and looked behind him; nothing was there. But then suddenly the hybrid pounced ~~knashing~~ [gnashing] its teeth, nearly costing him his leg. The lion pounced again, this time he knew it would be the end of him, but the lion stopped and ~~looked~~ [looked] to the side and spotted an

~~atelope~~ [antelope]. Running at top speed the lion jumped at the ~~antelope~~ [antelope] ~~brutaly~~ [brutally] murdering it for food. While Varun saw this madness, at the corner of his eye, the same strange bird on the map fluttered past. Fumbling with the camera trying to get a picture, aiming at the bird. Click!

Varun jolted back to life while ~~embarresly~~ [embarrassedly] stood as his parents watched him in ~~awe~~ [awe]. His parents asked "How do you have so much money". Then Varun ~~realised~~ [realised] that he had completed the ~~quest~~ [quest]. They were all happy and lived a normal life. #3