Writing Feedback

TERM 2 - 2025: HOLIDAY | Day 1 - Writing Homework | 10-Day Intensive Writing

## Section 1:

#1 "Ah! Ah! Ah Choo!" Looking in the mirror I saw a green carrot-looking monster! When I got to school, everyone ran away from me like I was a wild pig!

Strengths: Your opening immediately creates curiosity with the sneeze sound effect followed by a surprising transformation. You've used a simile ("like I was a wild pig") which adds colour to your writing.

Choppy sentences  $\rightarrow$  Your sentences are quite short and abrupt, making the story feel rushed. For example, "Looking in the mirror I saw a green carrot-looking monster!" could be expanded to include more details about how you felt when seeing this transformation.

When I sneezed and looked in the mirror, I gasped in horror at my reflection - my skin had turned bright green and my nose had elongated into a pointy carrot shape!

#2 That was the saddest moment in my 11-year life! Then I realised that I ate carrots and pickles all the time!

Strengths: You've expressed emotion clearly ("saddest moment") and included your age, which helps readers understand your perspective. You've also included a cause for the transformation.

Limited detail → The connection between eating vegetables and turning green needs more explanation to make your story believable. Why would eating carrots and pickles turn someone green? How did you figure this out?

That moment in the school corridor, with everyone backing away from me in fear, felt like the most devastating experience of my entire eleven years. After thinking about what could have caused this strange transformation, I suddenly remembered my unusual diet - I'd been eating nothing but carrots and pickles for weeks!

#3 I stopped eating carrots and pickles and after a week it stopped happening! Everyone was friends with me again! I told a joke to my friends. "What do you call a blind dinosaur?" "What?" They questioned. "A do-you-think-he-saw-us." I replied giggling.

Strengths: You've included dialogue, which brings your story to life, and you've ended with humour. You've also shown a resolution to your problem.

Length and depth  $\rightarrow$  Your writing lacks sufficient detail about how you felt when your friends accepted you again. The transition to telling a joke feels too sudden without explaining how your relationships were restored.

After avoiding carrots and pickles for a full week, my skin gradually returned to its normal colour and my nose shrank back to normal size. I was overjoyed when my classmates started talking to me again, especially when Liam invited me to sit with everyone at lunch. Feeling comfortable and accepted once more, I decided to share my favourite joke. "What do you call a blind dinosaur?" I asked with a mischievous grin. "What?" they all leaned in, curious. "A do-you-think-he-saw-us!" I replied, giggling as everyone burst into laughter.

■ Your story has a creative concept about a child turning into a "green carrot-looking monster" after eating too many vegetables, which shows good imagination. However, your piece is very short and needs significant expansion to engage readers fully. You could add more details about how it felt to transform, the specific reactions of different classmates, and your emotional journey. Also, try to explain the "science" behind your transformation in a fun, imaginative way - perhaps the vegetables contained magical properties? Additionally, you could show more of your personality through your thoughts and feelings throughout this ordeal. Try using more descriptive words to help readers picture the scenes. Your dialogue works well, but you could include more conversations with friends or family members to develop your characters. Remember to use different sentence lengths to create rhythm in your writing.

Score: 33/50

Section 2:

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