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Writing Feedback
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TERM 2 - 2025: HOLIDAY | Day 9 - Writing Homework | 10-Day Intensive Writing

## Section 1:

#1 "Every Sunday morning, before the horizon exhales fire as the Sun climbs into it's throne, I laced my shoes with purpose and stepped into the familiar cage of competition. It was quiet at first, just me, the net and the soft echo of bounce and breath. But this court, once sanctuary, has begun to feel like a stage. And somewhere along the baseline, joy turned into tension."

Strengths: Your opening creates a vivid sensory experience. The metaphor of the horizon "exhaling fire" paints a beautiful visual of dawn.

Apostrophe misuse  $\rightarrow$  You've incorrectly used "it's" (which means "it is") instead of the possessive "its". This small error disrupts the flow of your otherwise poetic introduction.

## Before the horizon exhales fire as the Sun climbs into its throne, I laced my shoes with purpose.

#2 "Maybe you've been there too, lacing up your shoes for something that that brang you joy. Maybe you never played tennis, maybe you have heard of tennis or maybe you have watched a game of tennis."

Strengths: Your direct address to the reader creates connection and invites them into your experience.

Verb form error  $\rightarrow$  "Brang" is not the correct past tense of "bring" and the repetition of "that" creates awkwardness. These errors make your writing seem less polished and distract from your message.

Maybe you've been there too, lacing up your shoes for something that brought you joy. Maybe you've never played tennis, perhaps you've only heard of it, or maybe you've watched a match.

#3 "Tennis isn't just for professionals for champions. It's for students, parents, weekend warriors and total beginners. It basically for anyone who want's to pop in and have some fun. It's for people who want to feel alive for a hour, out in the Sun, on their feet, chasing something that bounces back."

Strengths: You effectively communicate the inclusivity of tennis and create an appealing image of the sport's accessibility.

Missing words and incorrect apostrophes → You've missed the word "or" between "professionals" and "champions", and "is" after "basically". The apostrophe in "want's" is incorrect, and "a hour" should be "an hour". These errors make your writing appear careless.

Tennis isn't just for professionals or champions. It's for students, parents, weekend warriors and total beginners. It's basically for anyone who wants to pop in and have some fun. It's for people who want to feel alive for an hour, out in the Sun, on their feet, chasing something that bounces back.

■ Your piece shows genuine enthusiasm for tennis and effectively conveys its accessibility. However, you could strengthen your writing by adding more specific details about your personal experience. What exactly caused the joy to turn into tension mentioned in your introduction? This emotional shift promises an interesting story that isn't fully developed. Also, try to connect your paragraphs more smoothly—your opening suggests a personal story about tension in tennis, but then shifts abruptly to a general promotion of the sport. You might consider either continuing your personal narrative throughout or making a clearer transition between your experience and your encouragement to others. Adding a concrete example of a beginner's success story could make your persuasive points more convincing. Finally, varying your sentence structure would add rhythm to your writing—notice how many sentences begin with "You don't need" or "It's for".

Score: 42/50

Section 2:

When the love of Tennis Turns Tense

#1 Every Sunday morning, before the horizon exhales fire as the Sun climbs into it's [its] throne, I laced my shoes with purpose and stepped into the familiar cage of competition. It was quiet at first, just me, the net and the soft echo of bounce and breath. But this court, once sanctuary, has begun to feel like a stage. And somewhere along the baseline, joy turned into tension.

#2 Maybe you've been there too, lacing up your shoes for something that that brang [that brought] you joy. Maybe you never played tennis, maybe you have heard of tennis or maybe you have watched a game of tennis. [Maybe you've never played tennis, perhaps you've only heard of it, or maybe you've watched a match.]

Tennis is a very fun game where you can make new friend [friends], spend time with the glazing horizon and bushy landscapes. You don't need to be athletic, you don't need to be energetic, you don't need expensive gear. You don't even need to score. All you need is a rented racket, a ball and the willingness to try, because tennis isn't just a sport. It's a conversation, a challenge, a quiet kind of joy. Imagine each ball you hit to your opponent is a friendly word you give to your opponent and they give it back to you.

Tennis sharpens your body, your focus, your patience, your resilience. It teaches you to recover quickly, think strategically an [and] stay present, no matter if you win or lose.

You don't know how to play? Perfect. Most clubs offer beginner lessons or social sessions where the vibe is more fun than formal. You will meet people, move your bod [body], and maybe discover something new about yourself.

#3 Tennis isn't just for professionals for [or] champions. It's for students, parents, weekend warriors and total beginners. It basically [It's basically] for anyone who want's [wants] to pop in and have some fun. It's for people who want to feel alive for a [an] hour, out in the Sun, on their feet, chasing something that bounces back.

So pick up a racket. Step on the court and feel that beat.

You don't need to win

You just need to start.