

Section 1:

#1 "This week, the article will be about hectic hobbies. The hectic hobby is extreme ironing. It is basically ironing while doing an extreme sport. It is very unusual. Only some people do it as a hobby."

Strengths:

- You've chosen an intriguing and unusual topic that immediately captures attention.
- You've provided a clear definition of what extreme ironing is.

Choppy Sentence Structure → Your sentences are quite short and repetitive, creating a choppy rhythm that doesn't flow well for the reader. Phrases like "It is basically" and "It is very unusual" followed by "Only some people" create a stop-start pattern that makes your writing seem less sophisticated.

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#2 "Imagine you are in a plane and you are about skydive while ironing. You hold the iron board in one hand and you hold the iron in the other hand. You jump out of the plane and push the board in front of you. Then you start ironing."

Strengths:

- You've used vivid imagery that helps readers visualise this unusual activity.
- You've engaged the reader directly with the second-person perspective.

Repetitive Phrasing → You've repeated the structure "you are" and "you hold" multiple times in consecutive sentences. The phrase "you hold the iron board in one hand and you hold the iron in the other hand" contains unnecessary repetition that weakens your description of this exciting scenario.

Imagine yourself preparing to skydive from a plane with an ironing board tucked under one arm and an iron clutched in your opposite hand. As you leap into the open sky, you position the board in front of you mid-fall, then incredibly, begin pressing wrinkles from clothes while plummeting towards Earth.

#3 "Phil Shaw was the person who invented extreme ironing in 1997. He invented it because after a long day after work, he would need to do ironing but he wanted to do what he liked to do. HE combined them together and got extreme ironing."

Strengths:

- You've included important background information about the origin of extreme ironing.
- You've explained the inventor's motivation, which adds human interest to your piece.

Awkward Phrasing → The explanation of Phil Shaw's motivation is wordy and unclear. The sentence "He invented it because after a long day after work, he would need to do ironing but he wanted to do what he liked to do" contains redundant phrasing ("after a long day after work") and vague descriptions ("what he liked to do").

Phil Shaw invented extreme ironing in 1997, born from his creative solution to a common dilemma. After exhausting workdays, Shaw faced the boring chore of ironing but still craved excitement and adventure. By cleverly combining his household responsibilities with his passion for outdoor thrills, he created this unique sport.

■ Your piece introduces readers to an interesting topic, but needs more depth and detail to truly engage your audience. While you've covered the basic concept and origin of extreme ironing, you could strengthen your writing by adding more specific examples of extreme ironing locations or competitions. Also, consider organising your information into clearer paragraphs with topic sentences. You might start with an introduction that hooks the reader, then move to explaining what extreme ironing is, followed by its history, and perhaps conclude with its current popularity or interesting facts. Additionally, try varying your sentence structure to make your writing more engaging. Use connecting words like "however," "therefore," or "meanwhile" to link your ideas more smoothly. You could improve the ending by adding information about how readers might learn more about extreme ironing or even try it themselves safely.

Score: 39/50

Section 2:

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