Writing Feedback

TERM 2 - 2025 | WEEK 10 - Writing | Year 5 Scholarship Essentials

Section 1:

#1 Strengths: Your introduction effectively establishes the importance of technology in education and presents a clear thesis statement.

Weakness: Incomplete contextualisation \rightarrow Your opening lacks specific examples of how technology is currently being implemented in Australian schools, which would strengthen your argument by providing concrete reference points.

Exemplar: Think about how far we have come with human development. In Australian classrooms, we've seen a shift from traditional blackboards to interactive smartboards and tablets. Technology is a key to helping education evolve in many positive ways.

#2 Strengths: You've included statistical evidence to support your claim about improved academic performance, which adds credibility to your argument.

Weakness: Underdeveloped evidence → The statistics mentioned lack specific attribution and context. Without identifying the research source and providing more details about the study, the evidence appears vague.

Exemplar: In 2019, a study conducted by the Australian Council for Educational Research concluded that approximately 60 to 70 percent of primary school students demonstrated improved performance in Mathematics and Science when using educational technology applications.

#3 Strengths: Your conclusion effectively restates your thesis and provides a memorable closing statement about traditional learning.

Weakness: Limited synthesis → Your conclusion summarises your points but doesn't fully address potential counterarguments that you briefly mentioned about AI misuse. A stronger conclusion would acknowledge limitations while reinforcing benefits.

Exemplar: While safeguards must be implemented to prevent misuse of AI and other technologies, the benefits of technological integration in education far outweigh the risks. Traditional learning approaches will increasingly be supplemented by technological advancements that prepare students for their digital futures.

■ Your persuasive piece shows good organisation with a clear introduction, body paragraphs and conclusion. To improve the substance, consider adding more specific examples of educational technologies used in Australian classrooms. For instance, you could mention specific apps or programs that have proven effective. Additionally, your argument would be stronger if you expanded on how technology prepares students for specific careers in the Australian job market. Try to connect your

points more directly to the Australian education context by referencing our curriculum requirements or digital literacy standards. You could also strengthen your fourth paragraph by providing more detailed examples of how technology makes classroom activities more efficient. Consider reorganising your fifth paragraph about potential downsides, as it feels somewhat disconnected from your main argument. Perhaps integrate this point earlier and then address how these concerns can be managed.

Overall score: 43/50

Section 2:

Think about how far we have come with human development. Technology is a key to helping it evolve in many positive ways. Lots of schools have implemented technology making activities efficient, simpler and easier to do. Perhaps if we had the opportunity, we could make it supplementary to Australia or even, the whole world. It is vital that schools implement greater use of technology to enhance classroom learning. #1

Firstly, it can help students study and engage. Rather than traditional books and papers, using online apps can encourage children to show their ability. In 2019, an experiment concluded that around 60 to 70 percent of children performed better in academic tests (especially in Math and Science) on technology. Therefore, it is beneficial that we must implement greater use of technology.

Furthermore, it makes it easier because it is more efficient and simpler, getting more activities done in a short time period. For example, copying, correcting and editing grammar mistakes can benefit you from using a dictionary and rewriting the same thing again. This summarises that if technology is used more often, it gets more things done quicker, without straining our fingers.

Lastly, it prepares children for life. In this generation, children are more focused and interactive with online media. Based on the CompTIA study, 9 out of 10 students said that experiencing technology could support their future in some way. It can also potentially help them make an early start to their career, doing jobs like creating games or other apps.

Technology is a great use and help to classroom activities, however, there are downsides to it too. Many say that secondary school students use Artificial intelligence not for intentional purposes. In my school, we use an app allowing the teacher to look at what the students are doing. There are many tools, including the Apple Classroom, Lightspeed Classroom Management, Securely Classroom, Netsupport School and Classwize.

This concludes that schools must implement greater use of technology. It not only helps children with academic performance but can make life easier. Traditional learning can be put in the museum for history, getting replaced by technology advancement. #3