

## Section 1

#1 - Opening paragraph with the vivid scenario and main argument

**Strengths:** Your opening creates a clear picture with the 7-year-old crossing the road, which helps readers understand why this topic matters. You also state your main argument clearly - that pedestrian crossings with flashing lights should be added next to schools.

**Weakness:** Vague supporting evidence → Your paragraph mentions that "thousands of children experience this every day" but doesn't explain where this number comes from or provide specific details about how often accidents actually happen near schools. The connection between your opening scene and the broader problem could be stronger.

**Exemplar:** *Research shows that 15% of pedestrian accidents involving children occur within 200 metres of schools, making safe crossing points essential for student safety.*

#2 - Second paragraph about driver attention and safety statistics

**Strengths:** You mention that experts have research about flashing lights being more effective, which shows you understand the importance of using evidence to support your points.

**Weakness:** Incomplete evidence presentation → When you write "Experts have proven that pedestrian crossings with flashing lights have a significantly lower rate than ones with no flashing lights," you don't finish explaining what the "lower rate" refers to - accidents, injuries, or something else? You also don't say which experts or studies you're referring to.

**Exemplar:** *According to transport safety researchers, pedestrian crossings with flashing lights reduce accident rates by 40% compared to standard crossings without signals.*

#3 - Final paragraph with the counterargument about distracting drivers

**Strengths:** You attempt to address what people who disagree might say, which shows you're thinking about different viewpoints on this issue.

**Weakness:** Weak counterargument response → Your response about LED decorations at restaurants doesn't really connect to the serious topic of road safety. The comparison between restaurant lights and traffic safety signals isn't convincing because they serve completely different purposes.

**Exemplar:** *While some worry that flashing lights might distract drivers, traffic studies demonstrate that these signals actually improve driver focus by clearly marking where pedestrians will cross.*

■ Your piece tackles an important safety topic and shows you care about protecting children. You've structured your argument with clear reasons - safety, education, and traffic flow - which helps readers follow your thinking. However, your writing would benefit from stronger evidence and more detailed explanations. Additionally, you could improve how your ideas connect to each other by using better transition phrases between paragraphs. Also, some of your sentences repeat the same ideas, particularly your conclusion, which makes your argument feel less powerful. Furthermore, you could strengthen your writing by being more specific about the problems you're trying to solve and providing clearer examples of how pedestrian crossings actually work to improve safety.

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**Overall Score: 41/50**

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## Section 2

#1 It is essential to implement safety measures for students traversing across roads. Imagine a 7-[-]year-[-]old clasping his parent's hand as he cautiously ambles across the road, a[when a] car screeching[screeches] to a halt beside them. Now imagine thousands of children experiencing this every day. By simply adding a pedestrian crossing with a flashing light next to a school, we can ensure a[students'] student's safety, educate the children better, and also defines[define] one certain crossing point, easing up traffic.

#2 Implementing a crossing with flashing lights will catch the driver's attention, ensuring a[students'] student's safety. Experts have proven that pedestrian crossings with flashing lights have a significantly lower rate[accident rate] than ones with no flashing lights. They reckon this is caused by the drivers' instant attention to the flashing light, helping them focus on the pedestrians. By implementing one leading directly to the school, this can significantly reduce the overall amount[number] of casualties, making the school a safer environment[environment safer]. Therefore, we should add a pedestrian crossing with a flashing light next to schools.

Installing a pedestrian crossing with a flashing light next to a school will also educate children about safety on the roads, also helping them get to school earlier, contributing to some children's arrival

time[, while helping them arrive at school more efficiently]. With a pedestrian crossing, not only will children learn how it works, but ~~also be able to~~[they will also be able to] get to school quicker, improving their learning as they won't miss the first ~~fragment~~[portion] of class. Learning road safety ~~could~~[will] be beneficial, and so could having lots of extra information. Thus, we should add a pedestrian crossing with a flashing light next to ~~school~~[schools].

**#3** By adding a single pedestrian crossing, ~~it~~[we] can ease ~~up~~ traffic, as students won't have to walk across the road, all the children walking across in one concentrated point, so people cross, traffic goes, easing up the traffic[by creating one designated crossing point where all students can cross safely whilst traffic flows smoothly]. Studies have found that traffic flows better when pedestrians ~~are crossing~~[cross] ~~in~~[at] one point rather than multiple points. The benefit of this is that parents ~~that~~[who] drop off their ~~kids~~[children] can get to work faster, and children know where to cross, preventing any confusion and severe traffic jams. ~~So~~[Therefore], we should add a pedestrian crossing with a flashing light next to ~~school~~[schools].

Ultimately, we should add a pedestrian crossing with a flashing light next to ~~school~~[schools], as it benefits the school, the students ~~in it~~ and ~~also~~ the parents, so we can[by helping us] ensure students' safety, ~~educate~~[educating] the children better and ~~also define~~[defining] one certain crossing point[that eases] easing up traffic. Some may argue that flashing lights will distract the driver from the pedestrian, but have you ever seen something flash, like a LED ~~decoration~~[decorations] at a restaurant and ~~stare~~[stared] at ~~it~~[them] for ten seconds? That's bizarre! ~~So~~[Therefore], we should add a pedestrian crossing with a flashing light next to schools.