Term 3 Holiday - 2025: Day 5 | 10-Day Intensive Selective Writing

## Section 1

### #1: Opening Hook and Introduction

"Did you know that only one in five Australian Prime Ministers take action on any public concerns? Good morning ladies and gentlemen. My name is Srimaan and I am running for the role of Prime Minister."

#### Strengths:

- Your opening question immediately grabs the reader's attention and makes them curious about the topic
- You clearly introduce yourself and state your purpose right away, which helps your audience understand what the speech is about

Vague Supporting Evidence → You mention that "only one in five Australian Prime Ministers take action on any public concerns," but you don't explain where this information comes from or give examples of what these concerns are. This makes your readers wonder if this fact is true and weakens your argument from the start.

**Exemplar:** "Did you know that many previous Prime Ministers have struggled to address key issues like homelessness and environmental protection? Good morning ladies and gentlemen. My name is Srimaan and I am running for the role of Prime Minister to create real change in these areas."

# #2: Environmental Concerns Paragraph

"Primarily, I have noticed that the most important environmental concern is plastic pollution. Many previous Prime Ministers have ignored this issue that resulted in a depletion of marine life and an increase in marine waste."

#### Strengths:

- You identify a specific environmental problem (plastic pollution) rather than speaking generally about "the environment"
- You connect the problem to real consequences like marine life depletion, which helps readers understand why this matters

**Lack of Concrete Solutions** → While you mention that you will "solve" the plastic pollution problem, you don't explain how you plan to do this. Your readers need to know specific actions you would take as Prime Minister, such as banning certain plastics, creating recycling programmes, or educating communities about waste reduction.

**Exemplar:** "If elected, I will introduce a plan to reduce plastic waste by partnering with schools to teach students about recycling, working with businesses to use less plastic packaging, and creating community clean-up programmes for beaches and parks."

### #3: Poverty and Homelessness Paragraph

"Another compelling reason is that I have witnessed homeless or poor people not being accepted. When I was younger, I saw a homeless person begging on their knees for some food. Most people just put up a disgusting face and left that person starved."

#### Strengths:

- Your personal story creates an emotional connection with your audience and shows why this issue matters to you personally
- You address an important social problem that many Australians care about

**Incomplete Policy Explanation** → You state that you will "provide food daily to those who are struggling to find a livelihood," but this solution is too simple for such a complex problem. Homelessness involves many issues including housing, mental health support, job opportunities, and education. Your writing would be stronger if you explained a more complete plan that addresses multiple aspects of poverty.

**Exemplar:** "If I am Prime Minister, I will create support centres where homeless people can receive not only food, but also help finding housing, job training, and medical care. I will work with charities and community groups to ensure no one is left behind."

Your piece shows genuine passion for helping Australia, and your personal experiences make your writing feel sincere and heartfelt. However, your speech needs more substance to convince voters that you're ready to be Prime Minister. Right now, you make big promises like solving pollution and ending poverty, but you don't explain the specific steps you would take to achieve these goals. Think about each problem you mention and ask yourself: "What exactly would I do in my first week, first month, and first year as Prime Minister to fix this?" Your writing would become much more convincing if you included these concrete details.

Additionally, your paragraphs would flow better if you connected your ideas more clearly. For example, you jump from discussing plastic pollution straight to talking about Prime Ministers acting like dictators, but these ideas aren't related. Try using linking sentences that show how each paragraph connects to your main message about being a caring, action-focused leader. Also, consider organising your points in a logical order—perhaps discuss all environmental issues together, then all social issues together, rather than mixing them throughout.

Your conclusion repeats some of the same phrases from earlier in your speech ("I will be the Prime Minister," "vote for me"), which makes it feel repetitive. Instead, try ending with a powerful call to action that summarises your vision for Australia's future in fresh words. Think about what you want your audience to remember most after hearing your speech, and emphasise that point in your closing sentences.

Overall Score: 41/50

## Section 2

**#1** Did you know that only one in five Australian Prime Ministers take action on any public concerns? Good morning ladies and gentlemen. My name is Srimaan and I am running for the role of Prime Minister. There are numerous reasons why I make the best Prime Minister of Australia. These include environmental concerns such as pollution increasing in animal habitats significantly over the years. If

you want a Prime Minister who values [genuinely values and actively listens to] their citizens, vote for me as Prime Minister!

**#2** Primarily, I have noticed that the most important environmental concern is plastic pollution. Many previous Prime Ministers have ignored this issue that resulted [, which has resulted] in a depletion of marine life and an increase in marine waste. If elected, I will not only solve my problems [;] I will solve your problems [, and] I will solve animals' problems. To embrace [create] a perfect future, vote for Srimaan as your newest Prime Minister!

Moreover, Prime Ministers nowadays like to believe that the role of Prime Minister is the same as that of a dictator. I, on the other hand, believe that being a Prime Minister not only means carrying the weight of responsibility, but embracing [also embracing] change and preparing ourselves for the future. I promise to defend everyone that is [who is] in poverty[,] Everyone that has [everyone who has] an issue [, and] Everyone that is [everyone who is] troubled. I will make a difference to Australia if elected.

#3 Another compelling reason is that I have witnessed homeless or poor people not being accepted. When I was younger, I saw a homeless person begging on their knees for some food. Most people just put up a disgusting face and left that person starved. If I am the Prime Minister, I will provide food daily to those who are struggling to find a livelihood. Vote Srimaan [for Srimaan] for Prime Minister if you want the 'poverty' [poverty] to no longer be a thing.

Ultimately, if chosen as Prime Minister, I will be the leader who stands up for the 'poor' [poor], ensures equality for everyone, and addresses environmental concerns. I promise everyone that I will be the Prime Minister you look up to. Vote for Srimaan for a better Australia!