Term 5 Hottday - 2025. Day 5 - Wilting Homework | Tear 5 km

Section 1

#1: Introduction (First paragraph)

Strengths:

- Your opening clearly states your main point and gives readers three specific reasons why the river clean-up matters
- The sentence structure flows well and makes it easy to follow your thinking

Lack of connecting detail \rightarrow Your introduction mentions protecting wildlife, keeping water safe, and bringing the community together, but you don't explain *how* these benefits connect to each other or why they matter specifically to your town. Adding a sentence about your local river's current condition would help readers understand why this clean-up is urgent for your community.

Exemplar: Our local river has become polluted over the years, threatening the ducks and fish that live there whilst making it unsafe for families who want to swim or fish on weekends.

#2: Second paragraph (about wildlife protection)

Strengths:

- You include a specific fact about fishing hooks, which makes your argument stronger
- The focus on removing harmful rubbish shows you understand what dangers wildlife faces

Vague supporting evidence → When you write "tremendous number of fishes and species," this phrase is too general to be convincing. Which specific animals live in your river? Are there particular species that are struggling? Your statistic about 14 billion fishing hooks mentions "at sea," but your essay is about a river. These details don't match up clearly, which weakens your point about local wildlife.

Exemplar: By removing rubbish, we can protect the native water birds, turtles, and freshwater fish that rely on our river for survival, giving them safer places to nest and find food.

#3: Fourth paragraph (about economic benefits)

Strengths:

- You think creatively about different benefits beyond just environmental ones
- Mentioning saving money shows you understand practical concerns that adults might have

Unclear logical progression → Your paragraph jumps from drinking water to saving money to selling water to other cities without explaining how these ideas connect. The claim that a clean river automatically provides "fresh and cleaning drinking water for the residence" skips important steps—rivers need extensive treatment before water becomes drinkable. You also don't explain how much money could realistically be saved or earned, which makes these benefits sound uncertain.

Exemplar: A cleaner river would reduce the costs our town spends on water treatment, potentially saving thousands of dollars each year that could be used to improve our local park or library.

■ Your piece presents several worthwhile reasons for organising a river clean-up, and you've structured your argument by addressing different types of benefits. However, the content would be stronger if you developed each idea more thoroughly with specific local details. For instance, your paragraphs about health benefits and economic advantages need more concrete explanations of *how* these benefits would actually happen. Instead of moving quickly from one claim to the next, spend time explaining the connection between cleaning the river and each outcome you mention. Additionally, your fourth paragraph tries to cover too many different economic ideas at once—choose one or two benefits and explain them well rather than listing many briefly. Your counterargument paragraph is quite short and could be expanded by addressing what specific difficulties critics might mention and how your community could overcome them. Also, look at your second and third paragraphs: they could be strengthened by adding details about your local area, such as which animals live in your river or which specific diseases affect communities near polluted water. When you make your points more specific to your own town's river rather than rivers in general, your argument becomes much more persuasive and meaningful to your readers.

Overall Score: 41/50

Section 2

#1 I believe we should organize [organise] a river clean-up because it would protect the wildlife that depends on the river, keep the water safe and healthy for people, and bring our community together with pride. Our rivers are too important to ignore, and a elean-up [clean-up] would make a big difference for both nature and our town.

#2 Cleaning up the river help [helps] remove dangerous litter such as micro plastic [microplastics] and old fishing gear that are very harmful to the animals. Research shows that around 14 billion fishing hooks are left at sea and are causing significant damage to aquatic animals. Doing this will allow safer habitats and nesting areas for a tremendous number of fishes [fish] and species living in the area.

#3 Cleaning a river will also benefit the people of the community as it decreases airborne diseases, improve [improves] water quality and increase [increases] overall health around the river. eleaning [Cleaning] up will remove most parasites and viruses in the river while taking away the condition needed for them to survive [whilst eliminating the conditions needed for them to survive]. Ensuring [This ensures] better water quality and safer waters for the community and everyone else who wishes to enter the river.

#4 Having a clean river offers fresh and eleaning [clean] drinking water for the residence [residents]. Many people support the idea of things being made locally [;] so this will be your local water solution. This will also save the towns [town's] money and spend it [allow spending] somewhere else [—] like have [having] a new town park or renovate [renovating] the local library. You can also earn money by supplying water to other companies or cities. This shall be able to boost your economy and pride as a townand how [,] by simply cleaning the river.

Some critics may argue that a river clean-up would be too difficult or take too much time. In reality, it would only take one or two weekends, which is a small sacrifice compared to the benefits. Many people would gladly give up a little of their free time because they know the results eleaner [—cleaner] water, safer wildlife habitats, and a more beautiful community are [—are] worth it.