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Sample student report

Earth or Excessive

Sample L · Year 5 · Persuasive

Example rubric score

30 / 48

These marks describe this piece of writing. Only the national test gives you a NAPLAN proficiency level. ACARA's guide to the levels

Writing task

Year 5 persuasive writing. The original task wording was not supplied.

What worked well

In your spending paragraph, you name things money could pay for on Earth, including food and education. That gives readers a real choice to think about instead of just asking them to agree that saving money is good.

You ask readers to picture children in the future without enough food or a home. The short question straight after that scene works because readers now have a particular outcome to decide whether they would accept.

Your next steps

Revisit the end of your spending paragraph. You return to the point about saving money, but a reader might still wonder who would benefit if that money stayed on Earth and what difference it would make to them.

Try this revision

Choose one use for the money from your list. Replace the last sentence of that paragraph with two sentences: show what the money could do for someone, then explain why that example makes spending it on Earth a better choice. Ask a partner to tell you who gains and why. If they can answer both from your paragraph, your edit has worked.

Words you spelt well

Excessive, pressure, achieve, guard, economy, decision, education, business, safeguard, Imagine, generation, choice

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Your rubric

The examples below are taken from your writing.

Criterion and evidence	Mark
Audience How you help your reader follow and care about what you are saying. *“Have you read that less than 0.001% of humans can afford to live in space?”*	5/6
Text structure How you organise the beginning, middle and ending of your piece. *“If we put more time in going to Earth we will guard the economy, save wildlife and do what's right.”*	3/4
Ideas How you develop your main ideas with details. *“we will save money for better purposes like education, food, and business”*	3/5
Persuasive devices How you use language and reasons to persuade your reader. *“Have you read that less than 0.001% of humans can afford to live in space? That’s only a few thousand!”*	3/4
Vocabulary How precisely your word choices express what you mean. *“guard the economy”*	3/5
Cohesion How you link ideas so the reader can follow them. *“guard the economy, save wildlife and do what's right.”*	2/4
Paragraphing How you group sentences and choose where to start a new paragraph. *“Protecting Earth is a smart decision to us save thousands later on.”*	2/3
Sentence structure How you build and vary your sentences. *“Have you read that less than 0.001% of humans can afford to live in space?”*	3/6
Punctuation How your punctuation helps the reader hear and understand each sentence. *“Have you read that less than 0.001% of humans can afford to live in space? That’s only a few thousand!”*	3/5
Spelling How accurately you spell the words you use. *“to much pressure”*	3/6

Your original writing

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Have you read that less than 0.001% of humans can afford to live in space? That’s only a few thousand! Us humans must face we put to much pressure on moving to nowhere. We must act adapt, and achieve. If we put more time in going to Earth we will guard the economy, save wildlife and do what's right. Lets start gliding towards greatness, and stop this idea from being light year away.

Protecting Earth is a smart decision to us save thousands later on. If we act now we act now we will save money for better purposes like education, food, and business ,then waiting the money. We need to start to put more thought into the economy. Clearly, we need to save the money for better purposes.

Protecting Earth will safeguard life in the long run. Every time the tern a blind eye, plants fade. Every time the tern a blind eye, animals suffer. Imagine the next generation standing in open fields hungry, homeless, and angry, because we moved but failed. Will you let this happen? Every time the tern a blind eye, the human raise goes down.

Protecting Earth is the just choice. Scientists have discovered that, over 50% of your oxygen comes from the sea, no other planet can support life like this! Is it fair that the next humans will be floating to nowhere? We must act, Will you?

Australians must act to play our part in saving our homeland. Doing so with conserve money, preserve life , and do what we must do. Its time to play our part in saving our Earth. Lets start growing from our mistakes ,and take the ticket to save our home.