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Written assignment unit 2

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For this week's reading assignment, I have read the story "There's a Man in the Habit of Hitting Me on the Head with an Umbrella" by Fernando Sorrentino.

Dear Diary,

It's been several weeks since the peculiar encounter with the stranger and his umbrella. It's amazing how much I've become used to it tapping me on the head every day. It's odd how much of it has become a part of my everyday existence; the idea of it disappearing seems unimaginable.

Today at work turned out to be busy due to a lot of meetings and approaching deadlines.

Despite the chaos, I managed to successfully complete all tasks on time. To my delight, my boss even commended my efforts, adding a positive note to my day.

Post work, I joined some friends for dinner at a recently opened restaurant in town. The culinary experience was outstanding, and we spent hours engrossed in conversation, laughter, and good company. It served as the perfect way to unwind after the day's demands.

I think about the stranger and his umbrella again now that I'm alone in my house. What could he be doing right now, I wonder. Is he still shadowing me with his peculiar routine, or has he moved on to another unsuspecting individual? The answers elude me, but for now, I'm appreciative of the moments of tranquility in my life.

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Reference:

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