R: So I’m sitting in my old bed room, [PL]| eating a snack after school. [E]| I’m tired. [ET]| I had a long day. [E]| I had an English exam | and I have to study a lot | for my AP Government Exam for next week. |Then, my brother knocks on my bed room door. [E]| I ignore it at first, [E]| not wanting to be bothered by even my big brother [ET]| but he has keys to my room | so he unlocks the door [E]| and comes in. [E]| Then, he starts to talk, [E]| telling me that our cat, (Name of Cat #1, Dalis?) is, you know, sick. [E]| He’s not doing well [E]| and I ask him you know, “How sick?” [E]|and he says it’s, it’s bad. [E]| His cancer is spreading rapidly all over his body [E]| and he may not make it tonight. [E]| I jump up from my bed. [PE]| When I ask him, “Where is he?” [E]| and he’s like, “He’s at the vet with mom”. [PL]| So I put on my shirt, [E]| get dressed, [E]| grab a bag [E]| and head out with my brother. [E]| We hop in his car, [E]| and the whole way there, I’m worried. [ET]| I’m nervous. [ET]| I’m just thinking about my cat [E]| who I had for years | and can’t really imagine life without him. | He’s been my comforts, | my cuddle buddy. | I even talk to him sometime | about days of events at school | even though he can’t understand it | and he can’t respond back. | But I, I, (Name of Cat #1, Dalis?) is just my best friend. | He’s been there for me | when no one else could | even though he’s a cat. | Animals are truly man’s best friend | and also a girl’s best friend. | So as (Name of Brother #1, Jimmy) and I are driving, [E]| my, (Name of Brother #1, Jimmy) is my brother, | we’re staring out the window. [E]| I’m staring out the window, [R]| just praying [ET]| and hoping [ET]| that, you know, it’s not as bad as he said, [E]| that (Name of Cat #1, Dalis) is gonna (going to) make it [E]| so we’re driving down the (Name of Highway #1, LIE, Long Island Expressway), [PL]| my nerves are (I/A, inactive? Or elect?). [ET]| I’m on the verge of crying, [ET]| thinking about what life is, would be like without my kitty. [ET]| We arrive at the (Name of Animal Hospital #1, Queens Animal hospital) [PL]| and I basically fly into the vets. [E]| It smells strongly [PE]| like a human hospital | with bleach [PE]| and the smell of spirit in the air. [PE]| I, (Name of Brother #1, Jimmy) leads me to the front desk. [PL]| We explain that our cat, (Name of Cat #1, Dalis) is sick. [E]| So the nurse tells us where to go [E]| and we go into that room [PL]| to see (Name of Cat #1, Dalis) [PE]| laying on the, on the bed. [E]| I go over and pet him, [E]| tears running out of my eyes (I/A, dotting?) [E]| he’s ok. He’s gonna (going to) be ok. [E]| I talked to the doctors [E]| and the doctor says that his cancer is spread too much [E]| and he is suffering. [E]| Eventually, my brother, [E]| my mom, [E]| and I make the decision to put him down [E]| and, cuz (because) to end him suffering. [E]| And I cuddle with (Name of Cat #1, Dalis) [E]| and I kiss him one last time [E]| and tell him that he’s gonna (going to) be ok. [E]| He’s gonna (going to) go somewhere where there’s a lot of kitty treats and you know, he could. |