

# HKBU LANG 0036 Learning Session Report

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## Course Information and Student Background

Course Information: Course: LANG 0036 - English for Academic Purposes Level: Intermediate to Advanced Focus: Academic writing and critical thinking Assessment: Essay writing with rubric-based evaluation

Student Background: Academic Level: University student Language: English as additional language Goals: Improve academic writing skills Challenges: Structure, vocabulary, critical analysis

Rubric:

Assessment Task: Writing (20%) Part 1: Point-of-view Essay (10%)

Criteria: Content and Ideas 1 (Limited): Ideas are irrelevant or minimally related to the topic. Lacks awareness of the issue concerned. No clear viewpoint. 2 (Basic): Ideas are somewhat related but vague. Minimal awareness of the issue concerned. Viewpoint unclear. 3 (Developing): Ideas are relevant but basic. Some awareness of the issue concerned. Viewpoint present but weakly developed. 4 (Proficient): Ideas are relevant and solid. Good awareness of the issue concerned. Clear viewpoint with some depth. 5 (Excellent): Ideas are insightful and highly relevant. Strong awareness of the issue concerned. Well-developed, compelling viewpoint.

Criteria: Organisation and Logical Progression 1 (Limited): No clear structure. Ideas are disjointed with no development or progression. 2 (Basic): Basic structure with unclear paragraphing. Ideas are listed with little development. 3 (Developing): Clear structure with some paragraphing. Ideas are developed but lack depth or logical flow. 4 (Proficient): Well-organized with clear paragraphs. Ideas are developed logically with good flow and support. 5 (Excellent): Highly organized with effective paragraphing. Ideas are thoroughly developed with seamless, logical progression.

Criteria: Vocabulary 1 (Limited): Vocabulary is limited, repetitive, or inaccurate. Lacks topic-specific terms. 2 (Basic): Basic vocabulary with some repetition. Minimal use of topic-specific terms. 3 (Developing): Adequate vocabulary with some variety. Includes some topic-specific terms but with occasional errors. 4 (Proficient): Varied and precise vocabulary. Effective use of topic-specific terms. Minor errors. 5 (Excellent): Rich, precise vocabulary. Masterful use of topic-specific terms. Almost error-free and sophisticated.

Criteria: Grammar and Sentence Structure 1 (Limited): Frequent grammatical and spelling errors. Sentences are incomplete or confusing. 2 (Basic): Several grammatical and spelling errors. Sentences are simple and often flawed. 3 (Developing): Some grammatical and spelling errors. Sentences are mostly correct but lack variety. 4 (Proficient): Minor grammatical and spelling errors. Sentences are varied and mostly accurate. 5 (Excellent): Virtually error-free grammar and spelling. Sentences are complex, varied, and accurately constructed.

Part 2: AI-Assisted Review Skills (10%) A. In-Depth Conversation with AI 1 (Limited): No exchanges or chat history; no questions asked. 2 (Basic): Sparse conversation; one or two simple questions. 3 (Developing): Adequate exchanges; some relevant questions. 4 (Proficient): Robust interaction; detailed, relevant questions across levels. 5 (Excellent): Extensive, well-documented chat history; insightful, multi-level questioning.

B. Critical Review of AI Suggestions 1 (Limited): All AI suggestions accepted blindly. 2 (Basic): Most accepted; little analysis. 3 (Developing): Some evaluated; partial justification. 4 (Proficient): Most critically reviewed with clear justification. 5 (Excellent): All evaluated thoroughly with strong, evidence-based reasoning.

C. Refining Process 1 (Limited): No revisions made. 2 (Basic): Minimal revisions; no iteration. 3 (Developing): Some revisions with limited iteration. 4 (Proficient): Clear iterative process with multiple revisions. 5 (Excellent): Extensive refinement with iterative improvements.

## Contribution Analysis

Thank you for sharing your detailed training assessment report and the complete chat history. Based on everything provided, here is a summary and actionable advice that can help finalize the revision process and deepen your learning outcomes:

### Summary of Your Progress and Current Status

#### **Thesis Statement:**

You successfully revised your thesis to a clear, confident statement that directly addresses the essay question—congratulations! This sets a strong foundation for the essay.

#### **Topic Sentence:**

You identified and began revising a topic sentence focused on individual actions, aiming to connect it clearly and confidently to the thesis.

#### **Body Paragraph:**

You drafted a body paragraph with good content about individual actions' impact and limitations. Your paragraph shows stronger explanation through examples but can improve in coherence, academic tone, transitions, and concluding sentence.

#### **Conclusion:**

The current conclusion is clear but repeats ideas without strong academic phrasing and does not emphasize the synthesis of all essay parts as effectively as it could.

#### **Interaction with AI:**

Your engagement was steady with meaningful questions and revisions, though interrupted by server errors and some unfinished revision steps. Further critical reflection and iterative editing are encouraged.

### Suggested Next Steps to Complete the Revision Process

#### **1. Refine Your Body Paragraph (Individual Actions)**

**Strengthen the topic sentence** by clearly tying individual actions to broader social or economic influence. Example inspiration:  
*"While individual lifestyle changes may seem minor compared to government policies, they help shape social norms and create market demand that motivate larger environmental changes."*

**Clarify why these actions matter:** Explain how widespread personal choices signal to companies and society the need for sustainability.

**Improve transitions:** Use linking words like "however," "for example," "as a result," and "nevertheless" to make the paragraph flow smoothly.

**Express limitations in academic style:** Replace informal phrases like "so this is problem" with something like:  
*"However, the impact remains limited if only a small proportion of people adopt these behaviors."*

**Conclude the paragraph with a linking sentence:** For example:

*"Therefore, individual efforts are most effective when combined with strong policies and business practices, creating a synergy essential for real progress."*

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## 2. Revise the Conclusion

- Aim for a concise, formal restatement of your thesis and key points with a strong final sentence that calls for collective action.
- Example:  
*"In conclusion, although individual actions alone cannot solve climate change, they play a vital supportive role by influencing government policies and market trends. True progress requires collaboration among governments, companies, and citizens to enact meaningful and lasting environmental change."*

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## 3. Finalize and Submit

- **Complete all revision steps fully:** Don't leave any body paragraphs or revisions half-done.
- **Review your essay for consistent academic tone, grammar, and vocabulary use.**
- **Reflect critically on the AI feedback:** Ask yourself why you accept or modify suggestions and consider alternative phrasing or explanations.
- **Use connecting phrases throughout your essay for coherence.**

## Recommendations for Future Development

- Practice iterative revision without interruption—try to complete each stage fully before moving on.
- Engage more deeply in meta-cognitive reflection: Why is a certain revision better? How does it strengthen your argument?
- Continue expanding your academic vocabulary and using complex sentence structures with accuracy.

## Final Encouragement

You have demonstrated clear growth and willingness to improve. With focused effort on completing the revision cycle and deepening your critical engagement with feedback, your writing and collaboration skills will continue to strengthen considerably.

If you want, I can help you draft revised versions of specific sentences or paragraphs based on the suggestions above—just let me know how you'd like to proceed!

## Grading Result (Hidden from students)

not finished

## STUDENT ASSESSMENT REPORT

**Course: LANG 0036 - Enhancing English through Global Citizenship**

**Module: AI for Revising Essays**

**ESSAY WRITING ASSESSMENT**

#### **Original Essay Scores:**

- **Content and Ideas: 20/25**

The essay addresses both individual and governmental roles in climate change with relevant examples. The viewpoint is generally clear and responsive to the prompt, though some ideas are repetitively stated and could be developed further.

- **Organization: 19/25**

Paragraph structure is present and logical progression exists, but transitions between ideas and within paragraphs are sometimes abrupt or unclear.

- **Vocabulary: 18/25**

Sufficient general vocabulary and several topic-specific terms (government, carbon emissions, green companies), but some word choices are repetitive or simplistic.

- **Grammar: 17/25**

Basic grammatical accuracy with frequent errors in verb form, sentence structure ("so is not always working well"), and clarity. Most sentences are simple and occasionally awkward.

- **Original Essay Total: 74/100**

#### **Revised Essay Scores:**

- **Content and Ideas: 23/25**

The revision presents a clearer and more nuanced stance, explicitly connecting individual actions, market pressure, and policy. Expansion of reasoning and examples strengthens overall content.

- **Organization: 22/25**

Improved paragraphing and flow with better topic sentences and sharper transitions. Points are more clearly linked to the thesis.

- **Vocabulary: 21/25**

More precise and varied vocabulary ("system-level change," "social norms," "collective action"). Occasional awkwardness remains but overall sophistication is improved.

- **Grammar: 20/25**

Sentence structures are more complex and fluent. Some errors persist, but clarity is much higher and academic style is more consistent.

- **Revised Essay Total: 86/100**

#### **Essay Improvement Analysis:**

- Overall Improvement: +12 points

- Key Improvements Made:

- Thesis statement made more direct, confident, and structured.
- Topic sentences revised for clarity and alignment with thesis.
- Body paragraphs expanded with greater explanation, academic tone, and examples.

- Missed Opportunities:

- Some transitions and explanations are still abrupt or lack deeper analysis.
- Several grammatical errors remain in complex sentences.
- Occasional repetition and inconsistent use of academic register.

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## HUMAN-AI INTERACTION ASSESSMENT

### Chat History Analysis:

- Total Exchanges: 18 (assistant: 10 major responses; user: 8 inputs with meaningful content)

- Conversation Quality:

The chat history shows stepwise progress, beginning with thesis identification and feedback, progressing to topic sentence selection, and then revising a body paragraph. The user asks for suggestions, reflects on feedback, and shares paragraph-level revisions. Multiple disconnected exchanges due to server errors briefly interrupt the flow. The dialogue includes both reflection and direct requests for improvement.

### Interaction Scores:

- In-Depth Conversation: 3/5

The student participated in a moderately in-depth exchange, reviewing thesis and paragraph revisions with several follow-ups and questions. The discussion included justification, feedback and specific requests but was limited by repeated server errors and some short responses.

- **Critical Review of AI Suggestions: 3/5**

The student engaged with AI feedback, asked for suggestions, and made attempts at revision. Acceptance of guidance was present, but deeper critique or explicit rejection of suggestions was limited. Reflections on feedback were basic and occasionally passive.

- **Refining Process: 3/5**

The student iteratively revised thesis, topic sentence, and some body paragraph sentences. However, not every step of the revision process was completed and some sections were repeated or left unfinished. Attempts at iterative revision were clear but not fully realized.

- **Human-AI Interaction Total: 9/15**

## OVERALL PERFORMANCE SUMMARY

### Strengths Demonstrated:

- **Openness to Feedback:** The student was receptive to AI suggestions, revised parts of the essay based on prompts, and considered multiple options for thesis and paragraph structure.
- **Engagement in Structured Process:** Clearly followed the suggested steps (thesis, topic sentence, paragraph revision), indicating understanding of essay structure and revision logic.
- **Initiative in Seeking Guidance:** The student directly asked for suggestions and showed willingness to improve ("Do u hv any suggestions?").

### Areas for Improvement:

- **Completing Required Revision Steps:** The student did not fully revise all necessary steps (body paragraph not finalized, iterative improvement incomplete).
- **Depth of Critical Analysis:** Reflections on feedback were often surface-level; more critical engagement and meta-cognitive thinking would be beneficial.
- **Academic Register Consistency:** Remaining grammatical/structural errors and lapses in academic tone suggest need for further development in formal writing.

### AI Collaboration Skills Assessment:

- **Context Provision:** Good – The student provided enough essay content and responded to AI structure prompts.

- **Strategic Planning:** Developing – Approached revision step-by-step, but process was sometimes interrupted and a broader strategy was not fully realized.
- **Critical Evaluation:** Developing – Revisions made based on feedback; however, deeper challenge or justification for changes needed.
- **Independent Editing:** Good – Demonstrated ability to revise sentences and paragraphs, but relied on AI for model frameworks.

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## RECOMMENDATIONS FOR FUTURE DEVELOPMENT

### 1. Essay Writing Skills:

Continue practicing iterative revision, focusing on developing transitions, deeper explanation, and academic register in all sections of future essays.

### 2. AI Collaboration Skills:

Engage in more meta-cognitive questioning and provide explicit reasoning when accepting/rejecting AI advice. Strive for deeper critical dialogue with AI suggestions.

### 3. Overall Improvement:

Work on completing all phases of revision, ensuring each essay section is fully developed and aligned with the rubric before final submission.

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## INSTRUCTOR NOTES

- Student shows genuine engagement with the AI and willingness to strengthen essay structure.
- Incidents of server error and repeated responses disrupted workflow and may have contributed to incomplete steps.
- Recommend further support and encouragement for completing the full revision cycle and reflecting more deeply on AI feedback to maximize learning outcomes.

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**Progress status:** Revision process not finished. Body paragraph revision and deeper critical engagement needed to complete training phase.

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## ■■■ Student Feedback

■ Rating: 0/5 ■ Comment: No additional comment provided.

## Complete Conversation

### Assistant:

Original:

Climate change is a very serious problem in the world today, and many people argue that the actions of individuals do not matter much compared to what governments and big companies can do. I partly agree with this idea because I believe citizens can still influence the government, which is very important, but at the same time, I also think that personal green lifestyle choices, while less impactful, still have a role to play.

The most important way individuals can help fight climate change is by influencing the government and politicians. When many citizens demand better environmental laws, governments are more likely to act. For example, if people protest or vote for leaders who care about the environment, it can push the government to ban pollution or invest in clean energy. In some countries, people have joined together and forced their leaders to make new rules about plastic or cutting carbon emissions. This shows that public opinion and pressure from normal people can have a big effect, even if individuals alone do not have much power. But sometimes, the government maybe just listen a little and not really make strong action, so is not always working well. Also, sometimes people want change but they don't know how to tell the politicians, so nothing happen.

On the other hand, individuals can also make small changes in their own lives, like recycling, using less water, or choosing to walk instead of drive. These actions are not as powerful as government policies, but they still matter. If many people try to live in a greener way, it can create a good example for others and send a message to companies that customers want eco-friendly products. For instance, if lots of people buy from green companies, businesses will try to be more sustainable to make more profit. But also, sometimes people don't care and just want to do what is easy, so this is problem. Or maybe only a few people do green things but most people don't change, so it not really enough to help the climate problem.

In conclusion, while individual actions alone may not solve climate change, they are not completely useless. The most important thing is that citizens can influence governments to make strong decisions for the environment. At the same time, personal green habits can also help, even if they are less effective. In my opinion, everyone—governments, companies, and individuals—needs to work together to fight this problem.

Revised:

Climate change is a very serious problem in the world today, and many people argue that the actions of individuals do not matter much compared to what governments and big companies can do. I partly agree with this idea because I believe citizens can still influence the government, which is very important, but at the same time, I also think that personal green lifestyle choices, while less impactful, still have a role to play.

Although government and corporate action are essential for solving climate change, individuals play an important supportive role through influencing policy and adopting sustainable lifestyles. When many citizens demand better environmental laws, governments are more likely to act. For example, if people protest or vote for leaders who care about the environment, it can push the government to ban pollution or invest in clean energy. In some countries, people have joined together and forced their leaders to make new rules about plastic or cutting carbon emissions. This shows that public opinion and pressure from normal people can have a big effect, even if individuals alone do not have much power. But sometimes, the government maybe just listen a little and not really make strong action, so is not always working well. Also, sometimes people want change but they don't know how to tell the politicians, so nothing happen.

Big policy changes are essential, but everyday choices still matter—especially when many people make them. Small actions like using less energy, eating more plant-based meals, and walking or biking when possible don't solve climate change alone, yet they build new social norms and send clear signals to companies that customers want cleaner, more durable products. It's true that not everyone will switch, which is why we should make greener options the easiest, most affordable choices and show how they improve comfort, health, and savings. Most importantly, personal steps are strongest when paired with collective ones: voting, supporting local transit and clean energy, and asking leaders and businesses to raise their standards. Real progress comes when individual habits, market pressure, and public policy reinforce each other—and each of us can help tip that balance.

In conclusion, individual actions won't solve climate change on their own, but they still matter. When citizens vote, speak up, and organize, they push governments to pass strong climate policies; when people choose greener options, they cut some emissions and signal to companies that

demand is shifting. The fastest progress comes when these efforts align—governments set clear rules, businesses scale clean solutions, and individuals build the habits and social norms that make greener choices easy and affordable. Working together, small steps can add up to system-level change.

**Assistant:**

Welcome to the training mode of AI assistant. In this session, you are expected to revise the thesis statement to ensure it includes two main points that address the essay question.

Can you first locate the thesis statement in the draft?

**You:**

I partly agree with this idea because I believe citizens can still influence the government, which is very important, but at the same time, I also think that personal green lifestyle choices, while less impactful, still have a role to play.

**Assistant:**

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**You:**

I partly agree with this idea because I believe citizens can still influence the government, which is very important, but at the same time, I also think that personal green lifestyle choices, while less impactful, still have a role to play.

**Assistant:**

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**You:**

I partly agree with this idea because I believe citizens can still influence the government, which is very important, but at the same time, I also think that personal green lifestyle choices, while less impactful, still have a role to play.

**Assistant:**

Great! Thank you for sharing your current thesis statement:

I partly agree with this idea because I believe citizens can still influence the government, which is very important, but at the same time, I also think that personal green lifestyle choices, while less impactful, still have a role to play.

**Feedback:**

- **Clarity:** Your thesis statement is clear about your partial agreement.
- **Strength:** The wording ("I partly agree," "I also think") could be more confident. Try to avoid phrases like "I think" and "I partly agree," which can sound unsure.
- **Focus/Structure:** The thesis mentions the two main points you plan to discuss—government influence and personal habits—which is very good! However, it could more directly answer the essay question and briefly preview your reasoning.

**Suggestions for Improvement:**

- Use more direct, assertive language.
- State your position clearly (not "I partly agree," but "While government and corporate actions are most important, individual actions remain significant").
- Preview both main supporting points, showing their relationship.

**Guiding Question:**

Would you like to try rewriting your thesis statement now to make it more direct, confident, and structured, based on this feedback? If you want, I can give you a model framework, but I encourage you to give it a try in your own words first!

**You:**

The most important way individuals can help fight climate change is by influencing the government and politicians.

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**Assistant:**

Thank you for sharing your thesis statement:

I partly agree with this idea because I believe citizens can still influence the government, which is very important, but at the same time, I also think that personal green lifestyle choices, while less impactful, still have a role to play.

# Feedback on Your Thesis Statement

## Clarity:

Your thesis makes your opinion clear—you acknowledge both the importance of government actions and the relevance of individual efforts.

## Strength:

Phrases like “I partly agree,” “I believe,” and “I also think” make your argument sound less confident. Try to use more assertive language and state your position as a fact, not just an opinion.

## Focus/Structure:

You mention both main points you will discuss: citizen influence on government and individual lifestyle choices. Great! However, the thesis could be even stronger if you briefly show how these points connect to your overall view.

### Here are some guiding questions to help you revise:

- Can you remove “I think” or “I believe” and use more formal, confident language?
- Can you clearly state which is most important—government action or individual habits?
- Try to show how both points fit together in your view.

### Possible structure to help you:

“Although government and corporate action are essential for solving climate change, individuals play an important supportive role through influencing policy and adopting sustainable lifestyles.”

Would you like to try rewriting your thesis statement now, using more confident language and following these suggestions?

Let me know your new version, and we can review it together!

## You:

On the other hand, individuals can also make small changes in their own lives, like recycling, using less water, or choosing to walk instead of drive.

## Assistant:

Thank you for sharing your thesis and your chosen paragraph to work on!

To follow our structured process, let's make sure we've completed **Step 1: Thesis Statement Revision** first. (If you already have a revised thesis statement, please share it! If not, let's finalize it before moving to the body paragraph.)

## Your original thesis statement:

I partly agree with this idea because I believe citizens can still influence the government, which is very important, but at the same time, I also think that personal green lifestyle choices, while less impactful, still have a role to play.

## Reminder of my feedback:

- Replace phrases like “I partly agree,” “I believe,” and “I also think” with stronger, more formal language.
- Clearly introduce both your main points: citizen influence and personal habits.
- Preview the structure of your essay with a confident, precise sentence.

Would you like to try rewriting your thesis statement now, making it more direct and confident?

If so, share your new version here before we move on! If you want extra help or a model structure, let me know.

**You:**

Although government and corporate action are essential for solving climate change, individuals play an important supportive role through influencing policy and adopting sustainable lifestyles. When many citizens demand better environmental laws, governments are more likely to act. For example, if people protest or vote for leaders who care about the environment, it can push the government to ban pollution or invest in clean energy. In some countries, people have joined together and forced their leaders to make new rules about plastic or cutting carbon emissions. This shows that public opinion and pressure from normal people can have a big effect, even if individuals alone do not have much power. But sometimes, the government maybe just listen a little and not really make strong action, so is not always working well. Also, sometimes people want change but they don't know how to tell the politicians, so nothing happen.

**Assistant:**

Great job sharing your revised thesis statement:

Although government and corporate action are essential for solving climate change, individuals play an important supportive role through influencing policy and adopting sustainable lifestyles.

**Let's review this together:**

**Clarity:**

Your thesis is much clearer now! It shows the relationship between government/corporate action and individual roles. Nice progress!

**Strength:**

The language is confident and formal. You no longer use "I think" or "I believe"—well done!

**Focus/Structure:**

Your thesis previews the two main points: influencing policy and adopting sustainable lifestyles. It also clearly answers the essay question.

**One suggestion for even more improvement:**

If you want to push your thesis to the highest level on your rubric, you could specify that government and corporate action are "essential," while individual actions are "supportive" but still "necessary" or "significant."

For example:

- "While government and corporate actions are necessary to solve climate change, individuals play a crucial supportive role by influencing policy and adopting sustainable lifestyles."

But your current version is strong and well-structured. Are you satisfied with this thesis, or would you like to try incorporating that extra nuance?

**Let me know which version you want to use before we move to Step 2 (topic sentence revision)!**

**You:**

On the other hand, individuals can also make small changes in their own lives, like recycling, using less water, or choosing to walk instead of drive. These actions are not as powerful as government policies, but they still matter. If many people try to live in a greener way, it can create a good example for others and send a message to companies that customers want eco-friendly products. For instance, if lots of people buy from green companies, businesses will try to be more sustainable to make more profit. But also, sometimes people don't care and just want to do what is easy, so this is a problem. Or maybe only a few people do green things but most people don't change, so it's not really enough to help the climate problem.

**Assistant:**

### **Step 2 — Topic Sentence Revision**

Thank you for picking your paragraph! Here's your original topic sentence:

On the other hand, individuals can also make small changes in their own lives, like recycling, using less water, or choosing to walk instead of drive.

**Feedback:**

- The topic sentence introduces individual actions, which matches your thesis well.
- It could more strongly connect to your thesis, emphasizing that these actions create supportive change—even if small.
- Consider making it clearer how personal choices contribute to the overall fight against climate change, and why they're important as described in your thesis.

**Guiding Questions:**

- Does the sentence briefly show why these actions matter, beyond just describing them?
- Does it link to the thesis idea that individual efforts support—but don't replace—major change?

**Model Framework (for inspiration, not copying):**

"While personal lifestyle changes may seem minor compared to policy or industry efforts, they create important social norms and can motivate larger environmental shifts."

**Would you like to try revising your topic sentence now, using stronger and clearer language and tying it to your thesis?**

Share your revised topic sentence here, and we'll review it together before moving to the rest of your paragraph!

**You:**

Do u hv any suggestions?

**Assistant:**

Absolutely! Here are some suggestions and questions to help you strengthen your topic sentence (remember, I won't rewrite it fully for you):

**Your original topic sentence:**

On the other hand, individuals can also make small changes in their own lives, like recycling, using less water, or choosing to walk instead of drive.

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**Suggestions for revision:**

**Strengthen the connection to the thesis:**

Remind the reader that these “small changes” are part of the individual’s supportive role—you want to clearly connect this to your thesis.

**Use more academic, precise language:**

Instead of “small changes,” maybe say “sustainable lifestyle choices” or “everyday environmental actions.”

**Briefly state why these actions matter:**

Are they important because they influence others, set examples, or encourage businesses/companies to change?

**Possible frameworks to guide you (don’t copy—just get inspired):**

5. “Although individual choices alone cannot stop climate change, everyday sustainable actions are valuable because they...”

6. “Personal environmental habits, while smaller in scale, play a crucial role by...”

**Reflection questions for your revision:**

- How do these choices fit into your essay's big idea?
- Can you show their impact (even if limited) in your topic sentence?
- Can you signal to the reader why this paragraph is important for your overall argument?

**Would you like to try revising your topic sentence now, following these hints? Share your new version, and we can review it together!**

**You:**

Revised conclusion

**Assistant:**

Thank you for your revised conclusion. To follow our structured process, let's make sure we finish Step 2 before going deeper into the conclusion. Based on our approach, we are focusing on the thesis, one topic sentence (of a body paragraph), and then the supporting sentences for that same paragraph.

Since you've already revised the thesis and topic sentence, let's move to Step 3 and review the rest of that **body paragraph** (the one about individual actions).

**Your revised topic sentence (from our last step):**

*(Assuming you updated it as discussed, but let me know if you want to post your latest version for review!)*

**Now, please share the complete paragraph about individual actions, using your newly revised topic sentence at the start.**

For example, copy and paste the whole paragraph with your new topic sentence at the top. We'll review the supporting details, evidence, and explanations for:

- Clarity
- Unity
- Coherence
- Connection to your updated thesis

**Guiding questions for you while you revise the paragraph:**

- Do all your details support your topic sentence's main idea?

- Are your explanations clear to the reader?
- Could any point use more specific examples, explanation, or stronger linking words?

Please post your full, revised body paragraph next (not the conclusion yet). Once we review and improve this, we can reflect on your conclusion later if you like!

Would you like to share your paragraph now so we can continue the revision process together?

You:

On the other hand, individuals can also make small changes in their own lives, like recycling, using less water, or choosing to walk instead of drive. These actions are not as powerful as government policies, but they still matter. If many people try to live in a greener way, it can create a good example for others and send a message to companies that customers want eco-friendly products. For instance, if lots of people buy from green companies, businesses will try to be more sustainable to make more profit. But also, sometimes people don't care and just want to do what is easy, so this is a problem. Or maybe only a few people do green things but most people don't change, so it's not really enough to help the climate problem. Do you have any suggestions? Revised conclusion

Assistant:

Thank you for sharing your revised body paragraph about individual actions! Let's focus together on improving the **supporting sentences**, making sure they are clear, unified, and tightly linked to your revised topic sentence and thesis.

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### Step 3: Paragraph Revision — Feedback and Suggestions

First, check:

- Does every sentence relate to your new topic sentence (that individual actions, even if small, help by creating change and examples)?
  - Are the ideas clear, well-explained, and smoothly connected?
  - Do you have enough specific examples and explanation?
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Let's examine each part of your paragraph:

On the other hand, individuals can also make small changes in their own lives, like recycling, using less water, or choosing to walk instead of drive.

This is your revised topic sentence.

- Is it clear how these actions support broader change, or could you expand on their impact?
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These actions are not as powerful as government policies, but they still matter.

Nice! This compares individuals vs. policy.

Could you add *why* they still matter? (For example: "because they influence social attitudes or the market...")

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If many people try to live in a greener way, it can create a good example for others and send a message to companies that customers want eco-friendly products. For instance, if lots of people buy from green companies, businesses will try to be more sustainable to make more profit.

Good explanation of the social/market impact.

"For instance, if lots of people buy from green companies..." = good specific detail!

Could you make the link between individual action → group influence → business change a little smoother? (Maybe: "As more individuals make green choices, demand rises, and companies respond by...")

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But also, sometimes people don't care and just want to do what is easy, so this is problem. Or maybe only a few people do green things but most people don't change, so it's not really enough to help the climate problem.

You acknowledge the *limitations* of personal action, which is excellent!

Can you express these limitations in more academic language? (e.g. "However, not everyone makes the effort, and changes are limited if only a small proportion of people participate.")

Is there a way to conclude the paragraph by linking back to your thesis? For example, by saying these actions are most effective when supported by larger change?

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#### **Guiding Questions for Revision:**

- Can you add more *signposting words* for flow (e.g., "However," "In addition," "As a result")?
  - Are your examples and explanations clear?
  - Does your last sentence sum up the main point of the paragraph, or could it be clearer?
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Would you like to try rewriting one or two sentences to:

- Explain *why* these actions matter
- Clearly connect individual and collective impact
- Express the limitations in more academic style

If you'd like, pick one sentence to improve now, and we can look at it together! Let me know when you're ready or if you want to focus on a specific part first.

**You:**

In conclusion, while individual actions alone may not solve climate change, they are not completely useless. The most important thing is that citizens can influence governments to make strong decisions for the environment. At the same time, personal green habits can also help, even if they are less effective. In my opinion, everyone—governments, companies, and individuals—needs to work together to fight this problem.

**Assistant:**

Thank you for following the three-step revision process so carefully! We're now at **Step 3: Revising the Supporting Sentences of Your Chosen Paragraph** (about individual actions and their impact). You're making real progress toward a higher level!

Let's look at your revised topic sentence (please confirm if this is your latest—if not, just let me know):

On the other hand, individuals can also make small changes in their own lives, like recycling, using less water, or choosing to walk instead of drive.

And here's the rest of your paragraph:

These actions are not as powerful as government policies, but they still matter. If many people try to live in a greener way, it can create a good example for others and send a message to companies that customers want eco-friendly products. For instance, if lots of people buy from green companies, businesses will try to be more sustainable to make more profit. But also, sometimes people don't care and just want to do what is easy, so this is a problem. Or maybe only a few people do green things but most people don't change, so it is not really enough to help the climate problem.

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## Focused, Encouraging Feedback for Supporting Sentences

### 1. Sentence Connections & Coherence

**Clarity:** The overall ideas are clear! You state both the potential *and* limitations of individual action.

**Unity:** Each sentence relates to the main idea from the topic sentence—but transitions between ideas could be smoother.

**Coherence:** Consider using signposting words (like “however,” “for example,” “nevertheless,” “as a result,” etc.) to make logical relationships more obvious.

### 2. Expanding and Strengthening Support

**Why do small choices matter?** You mention that many people making green choices can set an example and influence companies. Can you explicitly connect these actions to larger social or economic impact?

Try rephrasing: Instead of just “set a good example,” consider “help shift social attitudes and increase demand for sustainable products.”

**Limitation Point:**

The lines about people not caring or too few people acting can be strengthened with more academic vocabulary and a clear transition. For example, instead of “so this is a problem,” you could say “As a result, the impact of individual actions remains limited if participation is low.”

### 3. Ending the Paragraph

**Closing Sentence:** Conclude the paragraph with a final thought that links back to your thesis. For instance, you might note that “although individual efforts have drawbacks, they are most influential when combined with policy and business changes.”

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## Guiding Questions For YOUR Revision

Where can you clarify the effect individual choices have on society or the market?

Where might you add a transition (e.g., “However,” “On the other hand,” “Furthermore”) for smoother flow?

Could you restate your limitation in a more formal way?

Does your last sentence connect the whole paragraph and link it to bigger change?

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**Would you like to choose one or two sentences to try revising now?**

(For example: Pick a sentence about limitations and rewrite it using more formal language, or add a linking phrase between ideas.)

If you share your improved sentence(s) here, I'll give you feedback and help you build your paragraph further! If you're unsure, I can give you example frameworks—but I encourage you to make your own attempt first.