

Topic 1: Write about your hobbies

My hobby is riding a ~~a~~ **my** motorcycle. I ride a dark green Kawasaki W800. The engine is 800c, and **it is** very powerful. It is not a fashionable racing motorcycle, ~~;~~ **it is an old styled nostalgic one.** I think that my favorite uncle had a similar one when I was a child. ~~The~~ **My** uncle was not a good looking guy, but he looked very cool with his motorcycle. When I first saw ~~the~~ **Kawasaki W800** in a motorcycle shop ~~6~~ **six** months ago, I fell in love with her. I felt that she was saying, "Get me, please." ~~Please~~ ~~But~~ **Unfortunately**, the price was over my budget. **So**, I decided to save money to get her. Finally she became mine last month.

I ride her everyday to commute. I live in Yokohama and my work place is in Tokyo. It takes about 45 minutes by ~~using the~~ **Daisan-Keihin** ~~h~~ **Highway-called** ~~Daisan-Keihin~~. The faster I ~~run~~ **ride**, the more strongly the wind pushes **against** my body. ~~One~~ **On** the highway, I try to whistle my favorite song **against** the wind. It is fun ~~though~~, **but** it is not easy. The best season for riding **a** motorcycle is spring. I can feel comfortable, warm wind **against my face** and enjoy **the** cherry blossoms ~~s~~ beside the highway.

Teacher's Comments: Aside from a few punctuation errors, this essay is well written and enjoyable to read. I like your use of personification about the motorcycle in the second paragraph. There are a few things you can do to make this essay stronger. In your first paragraph, think about why you wanted to ride a motorcycle. What interests you in this hobby? Is this your first motorcycle or have you been riding for a long time? The final paragraph is full of some nice descriptions. The beauty of the cherry blossom season will be even more apparent to your reader if you contrast it with a time when riding your motorcycle was difficult or uncomfortable (For example, in the autumn when the weather is getting colder). Overall, well done!

Comment [e1]: Say "my" instead of "a" when you are talking about your own motorcycle.

Comment [e2]: Use a semicolon instead of a comma to connect two sentences.

Comment [e3]: Was your motorcycle made recently in an old style or was it made decades ago? If it was made years ago, "vintage" or "classic" is a better than saying "old styled nostalgic one."

Comment [e4]: Use "the" when talking about a specific object.

Comment [e5]: The period stays inside of the quotation marks.

Comment [e6]: Avoid starting sentences with words like "but" or "and."

Comment [e7]: Although "more strongly" is grammatically correct, in casual conversation people are more likely to say, "the stronger the wind pushes."

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