

Monday 16th September 2019

We're learning to use a range of punctuation to clarify meaning and add effect

Dear Rachel,

Dark, dark, yet darker. War has hit us once again and this time we were taken by surprise. I was shocked - everyone was - but not I need your help more than ever. It is only the second major war, but it feels like the twilight. Since the Germans hit London like a fiery storm, the evacuees have come back. I have been ~~taught~~ ^{taught} London with a young one called Willie Beech. More about him later. As the war began, my journal writing was broken. My new system ^{has} to get multiple new things just so I don't get bombed. At least I'm not a ~~solid~~ soldier.

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Now I have Willie. Small, eight years old and very ^{quiet} polite but very polite. Is he ~~okay~~ okay I don't know but he ~~seems~~ ^{has} been better. ... he is scared out of his mind. His mom ~~put~~ put a belt in his bag to beat him with. Who would do such a thing? London (which is where Willie came from) seems like a genuinely horrible place. He is scared in words, I had to bandage him up. I am going to make a complaint to Willie's Mother about this! How am I going to look after him! At least he is polite. Mrs. ~~Drummond~~ ^{Drummond} down the road has ~~not~~ said they both ~~are~~ ^{are} ~~demons~~ demons. And Miss ~~Drummond~~ ^{Drummond} got a completely ~~traumatized~~ ^{traumatized} me.

Anyway, Willie has a giant prize ~~scar~~ ^{scar} down his back. I don't know how he got it but I bet it was his mother. She is scary horrible. She beat him into thinking that Sammy (well, small dogs in general) are horrible, vile beasts that carry murderous disease. I am speechless. On Monday he will go to school and I hope he is happier there than his horrible old school. I promise to look after him just as well as I

look after... never mind. I promise I will make him feel at home and I won't let him down. I hope that you will help me, wherever you are.

About the war... what do you think will happen. I hope we win. I don't want to be German.

I used lots of effective punctuation.

I will improve the flow of my writing ^{next} time.