A Level Spanish—Competition Writing

A Level Spanish students are currently taking part in a writing competition. The students write a chained short story where the last sentence of the week's story sets the first sentence for next week's story. Here is the latest in the continuing story.

Después de cometer el acto, esperaba una sensación de culpa pero no sentía nada. De hecho, estaba satisfecha con lo que hacía, ¿Qué me estaba pasando? Quería sentir el dolor, necesitaba el dolor, era lo que me mantenía con vida. Es irónico ¿No? Matar a otros me mantiene con vida, es como una polilla atraída por una llama, aunque la llama la destrozará. Quería que algo me destrozara, un sentimiento suficientemente fuerte como para llevarme. Pero era ahora inmune a sentirme culpable. No tenía nada que perder y tampoco mis próximas víctimas.

After committing the act, I was expecting a sense of guilt, but I felt nothing. In fact, I was satisfied with what I did, what was wrong with me? I wanted to feel the pain, I needed the pain, it was what kept me alive. It's ironic isn't it, killing others keeps me alive, it's like how a moth is attracted to a flame, even though the flame will destroy it. I longed for something to destroy me, a feeling strong enough to take me over, but I was now immune to guilt, I had nothing to lose and neither did my next victims.