

Hej Dear Host Family!

My name is Elea, but almost everyone calls me Elli. I'm a 16-year-old student from Germany and I'm so excited to be writing this letter to you! It feels so amazing to think that I might soon be part of your family and experience everyday life in Denmark .

I live with my parents and our pets- two guinea pigs and a dog. I love spending time with them, whether we just go for a walk, cuddle or just hang out at home.

My family is very important to me and we enjoy doing small things like cooking together, watching movies in the evening or play board games.

I also spend a lot of time with my grandparents. We have a close relationship and I often help them with small things around the house or stay overnight at their place. They've taught me a lot about patience, kindness and appreciating little things in life which I really value. Family gatherings are always special to me and I really enjoy being part of them.

In my free time , I love doing creative activities. I play the piano and love how music can express a lot.

Reading is another big part of my life. I like getting lost in stories and learning about different characters and times. I also enjoy painting because it gives me a way to be creative and to unwind after a long day.

I'm a big Taylor Swift fan and even went to the Eras Tour which was an unforgettable experience!

I also like spending time with my friends, whether we go to the movies, visit Christmas markets in winter or just talk and laugh together.

Another thing I really love is traveling. I love discovering new places, meeting people and learning how they live. Traveling always makes me curious and inspires me to see things from new perspectives. I've already been to Denmark a few times and I completely fell in love with the country. The people are so warm and friendly, the nature is beautiful and I love the Danish language and the feeling of hygge, that cozy, calm atmosphere.

Traveling to new places always inspires me and that's one of the reasons why I want to spend a whole year abroad, not just as a visitor, but as part of a family.

I'm very interested into history, physics, chemistry and art. I love visiting museums. My favourite memory is going to the Louvre with my mother. We even saw the Mona Lisa, that was really special.

I find it fascinating how science explains the world and I like understanding the world around me.

I also enjoy group projects and discussions, where everyone shares their ideas and we can learn from each other.

Another thing I really like is learning and getting to know about animals. In school I'm an assistant of a teacher for our dog- club. We are teaching 5th graders how to get around with dogs, especially with our school dog Charly. He's a 4-year-old labrador. I already know him since I was 13 and we even had a little show for other students. Charly did great. That was really fun!

I'm very excited to go to school in Denmark and experience a different education system. I've heard that Danish schools focus a lot on teamwork and creativity, which sounds amazing to me.

I think it would be so much fun to work on projects with classmates, learn new subjects and see how students and teachers interact.

I'm also really looking forward to improving my Danish and learning the language by using it in everyday life.

As a person, I would describe myself as open- minded, kind and helpful.

I like supporting others and being there when someone needs help or just a good listener.

I try to stay positive, even when things don't go perfectly, because I believe that every situation teaches us something.

I'm also adaptable. I enjoy learning new routines and trying out things that are different from what I am used to. I think that will help me to fit into your family's life easily.

I imagine that living with you will teach me a lot about Danish culture, family life and myself. I'd love to take part in your evening activities, whether it's just helping in the kitchen, playing board games, going on walks or joining family trips. I really enjoy feeling like part of a team.

I'm also very close to my family and friends at home, so I know how special it is to share meals, talk about our day or celebrate birthday together.

That's something I really look forward to experience with you too. To become part of your daily life, learn about your traditions and make memories together.

Of course I'll bring my little stuffed animal „Schafi``, which I've had since I was two years old. It always travels with me and reminds me of home. I guess it's like a tiny piece of my childhood that still gives me comfort. By the way, it's a sheep, that's why I like sheep a lot! :)

Thank you so much for considering welcoming me into your home. I really appreciate that you're opening your family and life to me. I'm so excited to meet you, learn from you and become part of your everyday world. I hope I can bring kindness, joy and curiosity into your home and I can't wait to share this amazing year with you.

Tak for at overvejer at lade mig bo hos jer. Jeg glæder mig meget til at møde jer, lære jeres sprog og kultur bedre at kende, og opleve hvordan livet i Danmark virkelig er.

Danmark er et smukt land, og jeg er så taknemmelig for, at jeg får mulighed for at blive en del af jeres familie.

With warm greetings and best wishes,

Elli