

Hello from your future daughter,

since you will take me as your daughter next year for six months, I want to tell you some things about me, so that you know me already a little bit before we will meet.

I am a student at the third high school. The school I attend specializes in natural science. Often it is a little bit stressful, but I find it also very interesting. I like the natural science subjects a lot, I find it very interesting. My everyday life is almost entirely occupied by school. I must study a lot, and most of the time I like it and I find it interesting, but I wouldn't say it is a hobby.

In my free time I practice my hobbies or some sport. One of my favourite things to do in my free time is to read or to spend time with my friend, because we laugh a lot. My school isn't in the village I live; this is because I live in a college during the week. There I have a lot of friends, and we spend almost all our free time together. Sometimes we go into town, other days, for example when it rains, we stay in the college and play some board games, or we talk about school, life and stuff.

Another thing I love to do, when I am tired from studying is play the piano. Because it is a very good distraction and I can think about something else but school. I play the piano since I am 11 years old, before I began to play the piano, I played transverse flute and the normal flute, so I have always been musical and loved music.

I also sing in the youth choir of my village. It is a choir consisting of young people between 15 and 22 years. We have rehearsal once a week and at every rehearsal we have a lot of fun, so it is more than just a professional choir. We have some concerts during the year where we sing, for example during the Christmas time. After the concerts we go to eat together and there I made a lot of new friends.

In my free time I also really like to read. I almost exclusively read romantic books, but I also enjoy crime novels. With school I have not much time to read, but when I have nothing to do for the school, for example in the holidays, you will find me with my book.

Of course, I don't read all the time when I have nothing to do for the school. I also like to practice sport. In summer when I didn't work yet, I often went riding with my stable friends. I never had my own horse, but once I had a foster horse and I could ride it when I wanted. Sometimes I went on a ride in the wood with my stable friends or we did a day trip with our horses on the alpine pasture. Sometimes I only rode intensively for an hour with my trainer and learned a lot in the process. I ride since I was 8 years old and I always liked it a lot, but now I haven't so much time anymore.

I live in a valley where there are all mountains around, so in summer I really love to go hiking with my friends. I also like to do some bike tours with my family.

In winter I love to go skiing. In our valley there are many different ski slopes and I almost know all of them by heart. I often go skiing with my father and my mother, but often I go with my friends. My first time skiing was when I was 3 years and three months old. Since then, I have been skiing every winter. One winter when I was 8 years old I did it professionally, but after that year I only did it for fun, just like now. As I enjoy skiing, I also like to watch ski races on the TV. In our valley there is also a world cup slope, where they are once a year and then I can see all my favourite skier. My favourite skier is Aleksander Aamodt Kilde from Norway. But in winter, I don't just go skiing. I also do some other winter sports, for example I like to go sledding, cross-country skiing or ice skating. Cross – country skiing I only like it thanks to my

brother, because he does it since he was 8 years old. So, he inspired me and my family to try it too and we all like it now. In our valley we can do a lot of different winter sports. And everything I do, I love to do with my friends or with my family.

I also enjoy baking, especially in the Christmas time I love to bake Christmas biscuits. I don't have much time for it, but when I do it, I do it with all my heart.

I really enjoy discovering new places and my parents make this also possible for me. I have already seen very beautiful places in Europe. I have seen more cities in Europe than beaches. But I have also visited some countries and cultures outside Europe, I was in Egypt and in Qatar. There I only did beach holidays.

This is also a reason I wanted to be an Exchange Student. Another reason why I decided to become an Exchange Student is because I heard so much positive things about an Exchange year. I know some people who did an Exchange Year and all of them advised me to do it. Since I decided to do an Exchange semester, I knew I want to stay in Europe. First, I wanted to go to Switzerland, but then I thought about it more carefully and decided to go to one of the northern because I like the northern countries. I like them because I love the cozy time of the year, when it gets dark early. So, I found Denmark. Since I come from Italy, I know many good recipes, and I could make you a taster of some recipes like an original pizza or a good pasta with tomato sauce.

I like to experience new things and go on adventures, and an Exchange semester sounds like an exciting thing to try. I don't know you, I don't know much about Denmark, and I don't know the school I will attend. But I am open to everything, and I will take everything how it will come.

I am a Christian Catholic, and I attend church regularly on holidays and on the anniversaries of my grandparents' and great-grandparents' deaths. Otherwise, I don't attend church very often.

When I am grown up, I want to be a veterinarian. I love animals since I was little and I want to help animals. This is because I frequent a high school specializing in science. So, when I graduate I can go to college and study veterinary medicine with a good base in biology. When I am grown up, I also want to travel a lot and see the world. I want to do it with my friends but maybe also alone. I want to get to know different cultures, different cities and countries.

I am already very excited for next year for this adventure and I can't wait to get to know your country, your culture and your traditions.

I want to thank you in advance for taking me in as your daughter for six months and looking after me.

Tak for din tid og for at du vil tage imod mig som din datter. Kærlige hilsner fra Italien, vi ses snart.

Kind regards,
Stefanie.