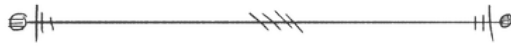


How to Start a Pen Pal Friendship

1 BE YOURSELF



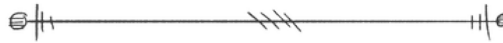
Your pen pal wants to know about YOU, your interests, your family, your favourite things, any interesting things you're doing and learning about. There's no need to impress your pen pal with long stories or big words — just be yourself and write as if you're speaking with a friend.



2 ASK QUESTIONS



Just like in regular conversation, it's important to show interest in learning about the other person. Asking questions also makes it likelier that your pen pal will continue to respond. Keep letters to two pages or less, include some drawings, cards, or photos, if desired.



3 KEEP IT GOING!



At the start of the pen pal relationship, agree with your pen pal how often you will write to each other (once a month, for example). Do your best to stick to the schedule.

Ideas for Your Pen Pal Letter

- ☐ Places you've visited or would like to visit
- ☐ Favourite hobbies and interests
- ☐ Something interesting you're learning about
- ☐ Your family members
- ☐ Favourite family ritual or tradition
- ☐ Your pets
- ☐ Your city and what you like to do there
- ☐ Favourite foods
- ☐ Your bedroom or favourite part of your home
- ☐ Your recent art or craft
- ☐ Favourite outdoor and indoor activities
- ☐ A famous person you'd like to meet
- ☐ Favourite board or card game
- ☐ Favourite podcasts
- ☐ Favourite season
- ☐ Favourite colour and how it makes you feel
- ☐ Favourite holiday
- ☐ Books and films you love or are currently enjoying
- ☐ Your nickname or what name you would like to use and why
- ☐ Your biggest dream (e.g. What do you want to be when you grow up?)
- ☐ Favourite animal
- ☐ Your morning routine and/or evening routine
- ☐ Favourite YouTube channel
- ☐ A sport you play and how often you practise
- ☐ Three things you are grateful for right now
- ☐ Your volunteering experience
- ☐ Your previous pen pal (if you had one before)
- ☐ Favourite book or film character
- ☐ Your goal and what you do to achieve it
- ☐ Your recent dream
- ☐ Something kind you did for someone recently
- ☐ Something you're proud of
- ☐ Your recent invention idea
- ☐ Things you would like to learn about
- ☐ Your recent trip somewhere
- ☐ Music or singers you like
- ☐ A recent gift you received and why you like it
- ☐ Fun or interesting information since your last letter
- ☐ An amazing thing that happened to you recently
- ☐ The musical instrument you're learning and how often you practise

HELLO

I AM _____

MY BIRTHDAY



My FAVOURITE
thing to do

A FUN
fact about me



I could EAT _____ every day

One THING I can't live without:



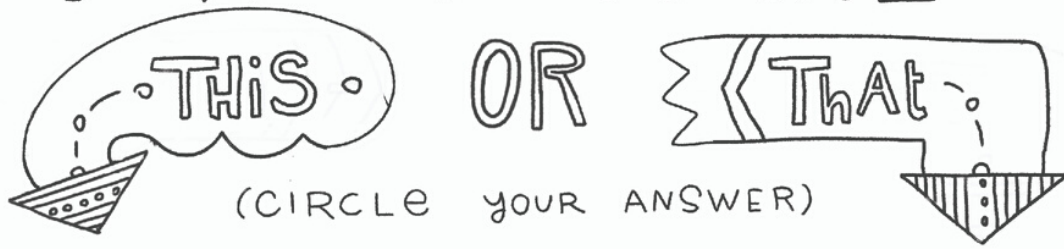
My dream HOLIDAY place:

My SUPERPOWER:

I love LEARNING about

MY PLAYLIST
favourite songs to listen to

I Would Rather



Ice Cream ☐ OR Cupcakes



Be a Wizard ☐ OR Superhero



Talk to Animals ☐ OR Read Minds



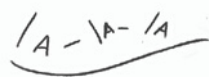
Eat Fruits ☐ OR Vegetables



Watch a Film ☐ OR Read a Book



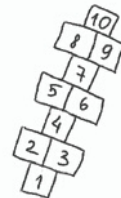
Dance ☐ OR Sing



Play Sports ☐ OR Play Music



Play Hide and Seek ☐ OR Hopscotch



Eat Breakfast
for Dinner



Eat Dinner
for Breakfast



CIRCLE = SOME = STUFF! *



CARTOONS FILMS TRAVEL Read Dogs Friends Spring Video
ANIMALS SCHOOL Sing DANCE FAMILY GAMES
COMPUTERS CATS SCIENCE HISTORY SUMMER AUTUMN
ARTS AND CRAFTS SNACKS WINTER MATHS
SPORTS

Write down some words you circled and explain why.

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____



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