

The Pen Pal Exchange Project - 2nd year

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STEP 01 Topic: Self-Introduction

1. What is your name? Where are you from?

(My name is ~. I am from ~.)

2. How many members do you have in your family? What do you like?

(I have ~ members in my family. I like ~.)

3. What school do you go to?

(I go to ~ junior high school.)

4. What is your favorite subject?

(My favorite subject is ~.)

5. What club are in? What do you do after school?

(I am in the ~ club. I ~ after school.)

6. Write anything you like and ask questions to your pen pal.

(I~.)

7. Write your letter in Japanese, too! Use kanji with furigana.

(~です。 ~ます。)

STEP 02 Memo: Self-Introduction

Self-Introduction

About your family

About your school life (your classes, club/juku, and so on.)

Questions to your Pen Pal

STEP 03 Final: Write your letter in English and in Japanese.

Eigo Ganbare!!

全員参加で楽しくガンバろう

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STEP 01 Topic: Self-Introduction

1. What is your name? Where are you from?

(My name is ~. I am from ~.)

My name is Nagisa Adachi. I am from Tokyo, Japan.

2. How many members do you have in your family? What do you like?

(I have ~ members in my family. I like ~.)

I have four members in my family. I like dancing.

3. What school do you go to?

(I go to ~ junior high school.)

I go to Nishi-Hayakawa Junior High School.

4. What is your favorite subject?

(My favorite subject is ~.)

My favorite subject is English.

5. What club are in? What do you do after school?

(I am in the ~ club. I ~ after school.)

I am in the English club. We make movies.

6. Write anything you like and ask questions to your pen pal.

(I~.)

What do you do on Saturdays and Sundays?

7. Write your letter in Japanese, too! Use kanji with furigana.

(~です。 ~ます。)

こんにちは。お元気ですか。私の出身は東京です。

STEP 02 Memo: Self-Introduction

Self-Introduction

私の名前は足立・渚です。私の出身は東京です。

My name is (Nagisa Adachi). I am from (Tokyo).

About your family

家族メンバーは四人です。犬も飼っています。ダンスが好きです。

I have (four) members in my family and a dog. I like (dancing).

About your school life (your classes, club/juku, and so on.)

東早川中学校に行ってクラスは2年1組です。私の好きな授業は英語です。教室に掃除をしなければなりません。英語部に入っています。

I go to (Nishi-Hayakawa) Junior High School and I am in Class 2-1. My favorite subject is (English). We must clean our classroom. I am in the (English club).

Questions to your Pen Pal

週末に何をしますか。

What do you do on Saturdays and Sundays?

STEP 03 Final: Write your letter in English and in Japanese.

Here is an example letter in English and in Japanese for **STEP 03**.

(丸写しはしないでね！)

Example Letter (English)

July 1st, 20XX

Dear Pen Pal,

¹How are you? ²My name is Nagisa Adachi. ³I am from Tokyo, Japan. ⁴I have four members in my family and a dog. ⁵I like dancing. ⁶Do you like dancing?

⁷I go to Nishi-Hayakawa Junior High School and I am in Class 2-1. ⁸I go to school at 8:30am. ⁹I have six classes. ¹⁰My favorite subject is English. ¹¹We have *obento* in our classroom. ¹²We must clean the classrooms. ¹³School finishes at 3:45pm. ¹⁴I am in the English club. ¹⁵My club members and I make movies for our classmates' pen pals. ¹⁶I go to *juku* on Thursday evenings. I study English there.

¹⁷What do you do on Saturdays and Sundays? ¹⁸I go to ballet and hip-hop class on Saturday afternoons.

¹⁹Thank you for your time. ²⁰Please write back. ²¹See you!

Your Pen Pal,

Example Letter (Japanese)

20XX年7月1日

ペンパルへ、

1 こんにちは。お元気ですか。2 私の名前は足立・渚です。3 私の出身は東京です。4 家族メンバーは四人です。犬も飼っています。5 ダンスが好きです。6 ダンスが好きですか。

7 西早川中学校に行き、クラスは2年1組です。8 8:30から学校に行きます。

9 六つの授業があります。10 私の好きな授業は英語です。11 私たちは教室でお

弁当を食べます。12 教室で掃除をしなければなりません。13 15:45に学校が終

わります。14 英語部に入っています。15 クラブのメンバーと私はクラスメートのペ

ンパルに映画を作ります。16 木曜日の夕方に塾に英語の勉強に行きます。

17 週末に何をしますか。18 土曜日の午後にバレエとヒップホップクラスに行きま

19 ありがとうございます。20 お返事下さい。21 またね!

足立・渚 より