

Hello, dear host family, my name is Ane, I'm 15 years old, and I live in the North of Spain in the Basque Country. I live near Vitoria-Gasteiz in a small town called Murgia. I love living in my town. There are a lot of mountains, and I am surrounded by nature. I live in a big house, I can't complain, also I have a big room with my own changing room and my own bathroom.

About my parents, I am very happy with them. I have a mother, a father and an older brother. My mum is called Ana, she is an excellent mother. I love her very much, she always helps me if I need something, she is always there with me in the good times and bad times too. My father is just like me. I love too much, he spoils me a lot and I like it when he does this. My brother helps me a lot and I love so much. We do many things together, but when we were young we did a lot more things together, for example playing video games. Also, we had a pet, he was a rabbit, but unfortunately he died 3 years ago because he was very old, and I was very sad because I love animals, especially dogs. My brother, my mother and I are trying to convince my father to have one because our house is big, and we have a big garden where he could play and have a good time. I would give him lots of love because I am very affectionate. Talking about the things I do with my family, we usually travel every year to a country in Europe. We had a very good time, we laughed a lot, and sometimes we have a few problems, but we always solve them together.

My friends are very important to me. We are five girls in the group, we have been together since nursery school. Nowadays, we go to the same school, so we are together all the time. When we meet on the weekends, we have a very good time. Usually when the weather is good we sit on a bench to talk and eat "pipas" (sunflower seeds), sweets, chips... and when the weather is bad we usually go to a bakery to eat a bun with chocolate inside called "napolitana". Other days we also go to the city to go shopping (I love to go shopping!!) or just to pass the time, because sometimes the town is already boring. But whatever we do, I love to spend time with them and I hope this friendship will last forever. Also, I have many other friends from my school, my town, friends of the city too, mainly because I am very outgoing, and I am kind to everyone.

Talking about the things that I love, one of them is basketball. I have played basketball since I was little, I love to play basketball. I can spend a long time playing basketball, I never get bored, in addition I have been with the girls of my team together since I was little. On Mondays and Thursdays I train and on Saturdays I play a match, which is the best thing of my week. Another thing that I love is fashion, I love to learn more about fashion. I also love makeup, skin care and everything that has to do with it and I like to practice on myself. I like to travel around the world and visit new cities and countries, I like taking pictures of everything to have as a souvenir later. I like to sleep so much, however when I have to do some activity, go to visit something or go shopping, I get up first to get ready and leave as soon as possible because I like different plans. Also, I love babies, from what my mother tells

me I am very good at taking care of them, soothing them, I have been a babysitter on several occasions and I love it! I love animals too, my favorite animal is the dog, and also I have been a dog caregiver, and they always leave happy. Other things I also like are; the music, dance, going to the cinema, the films, series and meeting my friends.

About the food, some of my favorite foods are; pasta, meat, soup, fish, and I also love chocolate, cookies, muffins, and cakes. There are some things that I don't like, for example; some fruits, salad, some vegetables. I'm not allergic to anything at the moment. I look forward to tasting your food, and your eating habits.

I want to do this adventure because I have never done anything like this before and I can't wait to do it, I have never traveled so far either. I am looking forward to meeting you, to live experiences with you, and to show you things from where I live. I love to discover new places in the world, their cultures and how life is in those places. I would also like to improve my English and I want to visit the United States because it is my childhood dream.

Finally, I wanted to thank you for everything you do for us, the trust, confidence and courage you have to put a complete stranger in our home. Thank you for giving us the opportunity to do this experience and, I am sure, you are all lovely. If you choose me among the other guys, I will be eternally grateful to you and your family, once again thank you for this opportunity. I'm sure we will have a great time together!

## MY LIFELONG FRIENDS



Here I am with my friends at last year's carnival.



I am here with my friends at this carnival.



Here I am with my best friend having dinner and watching the sunset, I love it!

## MY SUMMER FRIENDS



I am here having dinner with some of my summer friends.

## MY BASKETBALL TEAM



Here I am with my basketball team taking pictures of us for a calendar.

## MY FAMILY



I am here with my father in a restaurant.



I'm here with my brother eating creepers on a trip we took this year.



Here I am with my mom in a fun clothing store.



Here I am with my family in Rome.