Dear host family, I can not wait to know you at all, and I'm writing this letter in order to introduce myself.

My name is Lucía (Listers), I life with my parents, my two little sisters Cristina and Claudia, who are 15 and 13 years old, and my dog Laki. She is a light brown toy poodle, and my mom is her favorite person in the world, probably because she takes her on very long walks, but anyways, she loves us a lot.

I consider myself, for the most part of the time, as a social person. I have always been the typical kid that goes to summer camps alone, and despite the fact that at the beginning I could have been a little shy, in just a few hours I would have already talked to almost everyone and made new friends.

I have also done some similar experiences like these one in the past: two of them were about living with a host family and going to classes where we did several things, such as some projects and learning more about typical things of the place that I was at, and some activities like mini golf or going to visit different things. In both of them, I made a big group of good friends from different places that nowadays I still talk with some of them. Last year I went to Michigan, and I stayed four weeks with a host family, which was a completely new experience from the one I have good memories of and were I saw Twilight for the first time of my life.

Right now I'm doing Ir of Batxillerat, which means that next year I will finish high school, and I still don't know what I want to study, just that it has to be related to healthcare. I would love to study medicine, but although I'm a good student and I work a lot to try and get good marks, they are not as good as are needed to study this career. During this year I was in a program where I was in a group of people my age going to different hospitals to know how they work in their different specialties.

I like my class this year because even though we are not all from the same group, we all get along very well, and we laugh a lot with my teachers in their different classes. Neither of my two groups of friends are in the same class all together, but we share some classes with some of them. My principal group is composed of 5 people, including myself. They are Foix, Alícia, Lia, and Emma. These are the ones I do more things with, like sleepovers, going to the beach, and a bunch of things more. And the other one is much bigger, and we don't do as many things together, but when there are town parties, we mix the groups, and also we include more people that do not go to our school anymore, and the boyfriends group of friends of two of the girls of the group.

Also, I love going shopping in Barcelona with friends, trying a bunch of stuff, and later going to eat at a sushi buffet. I play basketball on the same team as Emma and Foix. This year was the best one so far because I have improved a lot, and I haven't gotten injured any time. We have a really good relationship in there. We sometimes make some plans together, such as going to a restaurant to eat or hanging over at the pavilion while we are watching other matches.

At home we all help to tend to the laundry and then fold it. We also help with the dishwasher and to clean the table after eating, and sometimes on the weekend if my dad is cooking something that needs a lot of vegetables to be cut, we all help him. The same happens with taking Laki for a walk; we all do it once a day. My mom cooks during the week, and my dad does it during the weekend, and normally I'm the one who bakes. I also sometimes help my English teacher in the academy with the little kids when he does activities for Christmas, Halloween, etc., that consist of decorating the whole academy and painting or do small games with them.

When it's summertime every year, we go to my grandfather's boat, and we go to different places during 10 or 14 days. Last year we went to L'Alguer, which is in Italy, and it was curious because some of the locals there speak something similar to Catalan, and while we were coming back, I saw tortoises for the first time in my life; it was so cool.

Finally, I would love to be in your family because I really want to live this new experience with such great people and make new friends while I discover new things. So thanks for the opportunity to let me be in your family during what is going to be one of the best experiences of my life.

Talk soon Lucía Cray

Photo-Album *



This is my family. My mom is the person on the left with blue sunglasses and a pink sweater; the one on her right with ginger hair and holding my dog Laki is Cristina. The middle one is my sister Claudia, the youngest one. Then on her right is my dad, and then it's me.



This picture was taken on the 23rd of April in Barcelona in front of the Casa Batlló, which is decorated with a lot of red roses in honor of this special day called Sant Jordi. Sant Jordi here in Catalonia is a very important tradition similar to your Valentine's, but instead of gifting chocolates, the girl has to give a book to her boyfriend, and the boy has to give a rose to his girlfriend. Also on the street there are millions of book and rouses stalls. And this year we went with my school to Barcelona, so in the picture there appears my small group of friends. I'm the one ho is who is holding a rose that I bought for my mom.



As the last trip of high school, we went to Puigcerdà, where we went to ski in Font Romeu (France) in the mornings, and then in the afternoons we did different activities such as going bowling or visiting Puigcerdà. Here In this picture I'm with some people from my other group of friends in a cafeteria. And when we were going back to the hotel, we got lost because my teacher did not want to check Google Maps, saying that he knew the way back to the hotel by heart.



This is my basquetboll team and I'm number 10.



Here is one of the hospitals that I went to with the program that I told you about in the letter. In the picture at the top is my group of friends, and in the second one is the whole group. In both of them you can see the doctor; she is the blonde lady. Here we did internal medicine, and it was very interesting.



