

Topic 10: Write an e-mail to your host family

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Smith,

~~My~~ Hello, my name is Hanako Suzuki and I live in Tokyo, Japan. I am a university student, ~~major~~ ~~ed~~ ~~majoring~~ in intercultural communication. I would like to thank you ~~in advance~~ for having me at your home while I study at ~~the~~ IIE language school for ~~two~~ ~~2~~ months. I am ~~very~~ excited to stay ~~at your home.~~ ~~with~~ you.

This ~~is~~ ~~will be~~ my first time going overseas. I am very excited to live in Hawaii, ~~and~~ experience different ~~a~~ culture, and to meet many ~~new~~ people. I love surfing and ~~Y~~ yoga. I would like to go surfing while I stay in Hawaii. ~~so,~~ ~~If~~ if you know any great places to surf please let me know. I am not good at expressing myself in English, so I hope ~~I would~~ ~~I can~~ improve my English ~~more~~ ~~with~~ ~~by~~ communicating with your family and friends.

I will be arriving at Hawaii International Airport at 11 a.m. on August 2nd ~~by~~ ~~on~~ JAL flight 102. I would like to ask ~~you~~ if it is possible for you to send me directions to your house. I'm looking forward to ~~seeing~~ ~~meeting~~ all of you soon.

Sincerely,
Hanako Suzuki

Teacher's Comments: Overall, a good letter. There are a few errors in grammar. In a few places, the sentences are a little confusing and could use rewording. You might try reading your letter out loud to help you make it flow more smoothly. Also, make sure that there are transitions when changing the subject in a paragraph. Perhaps create a new paragraph when starting on a new subject.

Also, avoid overusing, "I am very excited." A phrase like "I can't wait to..." can be used as well. There are many great places to surf and do yoga in Hawaii. I hope you will enjoy your visit!

Comment [e1]: Typically, for numbers smaller than 10, spell out the number. For numbers larger than 10, you can use the numeral.

Comment [e2]: "With you" sounds nicer since the phrase, "at your home" was already used in the last sentence. Try to avoid repetitive use of phrases.

Comment [e3]: Consider revising this sentence. Inserting a transition sentence or phrase here would make the letter flow smoother. For example, "Two of my favorite hobbies are surfing and yoga."

Comment [e4]: Since you also listed yoga, write a little about wanting to do yoga in Hawaii.

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取消線・・・先生が削除した文章
赤色・・・先生が追加・削除した文章
青色・・・先生のアドバイス
緑・・・先生のコメント