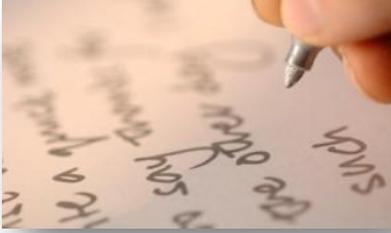


Dear Ms. Maxson...



TASK: Write me a letter about yourself. It does not need to be long, but please write enough to give me a better sense of **you**: your background, interests, likes, dislikes, etc.

Below you will find questions to help you.
Please avoid just answering the questions in a list.

You do **NOT** need to answer ALL of the questions, but please address these questions:

- ❖ **What are your hopes and fears for this year?**
- ❖ **In general, how would you characterize your experiences with English classes?**
- ❖ **How do you see me as being able to support you in accomplishing your goals so that you have a great year?**

Consider the following:

You as an individual:

- What are your interests / hobbies / likes or dislikes?
- What makes you happy?
- What situations make you feel uncomfortable / annoyed or sad?
- Do you have a large family? Small family? Tell me more if you'd like. 😊

You as a reader/writer:

- Do you enjoy reading/writing?
- Do you like to read fiction (stories)? What are some of your favorites?
- Do you like to write in your free time? If so, what are you writing?
- Do enjoy reading non-fiction (history, news, true stories, etc)? Do you have any favorites?

You as a student:

- Do you like to work in groups, or prefer to work alone?
- Do you tend to procrastinate or to work too hard when it isn't necessary?
- Do you get stressed out about assignments or tend to need a bit of help getting motivated?
- What is your attitude about school?

❖ **DO NOT STRESS ABOUT THIS LETTER**, but please tell me about your previous experiences with English. I want to know how I can best support you, so include anything about how you best learn.

❖ Write me a letter that reflects your personality and has a sense of 'voice.'

ASSESSMENT: Letter will not be graded on the quality of your writing. However, it will give me an initial snapshot of about you as a person, so the more you include, the better I will be able to get to know you as a learner, student and also as a person.

DUE DATE: _____!

Reminder:

Although this is informal, it is still a letter, so please open with a greeting (Dear Mrs. Maxson) and end with a closing and your name.



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