

Basic Writing Worksheet

Topic: Languages

Hello Sharifa,

My name's Carmen. I'm 12 years old and I live in California in the US.

My teacher gave me your email address. She told me that you wanted to write to someone in America to practise your English.

Let me tell you about California. Many people from different countries live here. My parents are from Puerto Rico, so I speak Spanish. Of course I speak English too and I'm learning French at school. Some of my friends speak different languages at home, but we speak English to each other. How about you?

In my free time, I like going to my friends' houses. We usually watch movies and eat lots of popcorn! Sometimes we go to our favourite fast food restaurant for burgers.

Write soon and tell me about you and your country!

From,

Carmen

When you write an email to a friend ...

- Start with a **friendly greeting** and the person's name:

Hello /Hi Sharifa,

- Use **friendly, informal expressions**:

Let me tell you ... / Tell me about ... / How about you? / Write soon!

- Separate different subjects by using **paragraphs**: personal details / why you're writing / where you live / your family / the languages you speak / your free time activities

- End by saying who the email is **from**:

From, Carmen

Number the parts of the email in the correct order.

- I speak Arabic, but I'm also learning French and English at school. I'm not very good at French. How about you? _____
- From, Sharifa _____
- Thanks for your letter! Let me tell you a little about me. I'm Sharifa and I'm from Jordan. I live in Amman with my parents and grandparents. _____
- Hello Carmen, 1 _____
- Hope you write soon! _____

Write your own email to reply to Carmen. Use the ideas above to help you.

Languages and nationalities

Write the words with the categories below. Use your dictionary if you like.

The United Kingdom Arabic Turkish Muslim Australia British
Egyptian The United Arab Emirates Egyptian Emirian English
Christian American The United States Egypt Turkey

country	nationality	language	religion
		Arabic	
	British		
Australia			
	American		
	Egyptian		
		Turkish	