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Writing: A2

A personal profile

Learn how to write a personal profile for a social app or website.

Before reading

Do the preparation task first. Then read the text and tips and do the exercises.

Preparation task

What information would you include in a personal profile? Choose the three correct answers.

_____ Your address

_____ Your hobbies

_____ Your job

_____ How much money you earn

_____ Your personality

My profile

About me

By day I'm a regular guy and by night a superhero ... How tiring is that?!

Just joking! I'm a regular guy all the time, good job, close to my family, just bought my own flat with a cat. Actually, my cat thinks I'm a hero because I saved her from the street. I'm a talkative person and I believe communication is the most important thing in a relationship.

Likes and dislikes

I love pizza if it's Italian, wine if it's white, and football if it's the World Cup. I read a lot, especially true life stories, but most of my books live on my phone.

Hobbies

I love to travel and I'm always planning my next trip. I prefer an active holiday like hiking, skiing or watersports and I get bored lying on the beach. I post lots of photos on Instagram as I'm a good photographer but I'd really love to share the holiday with someone. Maybe you'll take the photos on the next trip. ☺

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Tips

1. Write about your good points, not your bad points.
2. Don't include every single thing. Choose a few points and focus on them.
3. Don't add your contact details (e.g. address, phone number). You could get unwanted messages.
4. Check your spelling and punctuation before you post.
5. You can use punctuation and emojis when you're joking, e.g. ?! and ☺.

Tasks

Task 1

Put the sentences in the correct box.

1. I'm a superhero.
2. I prefer an active holiday.
3. I'm a good photographer.
4. My cat thinks I'm a hero.
5. I believe communication is the most important thing.
6. I'd really love to share the holiday with someone.
7. Maybe you'll take the photos on the next trip. ☺

Facts	Funny things to say

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Task 2

Complete the sentences with words from the box.

share	prefer	talkative
bored	especially	love to

1. I'm a ..... person.
2. I read a lot, ... true life stories.
3. I ..... travel to other countries.
4. I ..... an active holiday.
5. I get ..... lying on the beach.
6. I'd really love to ..... the holiday with someone.

Task 3

Are the sentences true or false?

	Answer	
1. It's OK to mention your hobbies.	True	False
2. You don't need to check your spelling.	True	False
3. You should use emojis in every sentence.	True	False
4. You should keep your profile true and positive.	True	False
5. It's important not to share personal information like your phone number.	True	False
6. You should give a lot of detail about all of your hobbies.	True	False

Discussion

Are dating apps a good way to meet people?

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