

Writing skills practice: About my family – exercises

Read the email and do the exercises to practise and improve your writing skills.

Preparation

Write the correct word in the boxes below the pictures.

| slim | long hair | short | short hair | tall | fat |
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Subject: My family

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Dear Yoko

Let me tell you about my family. I live with my mum, my dad and my big sister. We live in California. My mum's name is Carmen. She's Mexican and she speaks English and Spanish. She's a Spanish teacher. She's short and slim, she's got long, brown hair and brown eyes. My dad's name is David. He's American. He's tall and a little fat! He's got short brown hair and blue eyes. He works in a bank. My sister Shania is 14 and she loves listening to music. She listens to music all the time! She's got long brown hair and green eyes, like me. I've got long hair too. We've got a pet dog, Brandy. He's black and white and very friendly.

Write soon and tell me about your family.

Love

Kelly

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1. Check your understanding: gap fill

Complete the sentences with a word from the box.

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|---------|------|-----|-----|-------|-------|
| Spanish | long | pet | big | short | brown |
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1. I live with my mum, my dad and my _____ sister.
2. My mum's a _____ teacher.
3. She's got _____, brown hair and _____ eyes.
4. My dad's got _____, brown hair.
5. We've got a _____ dog.

2. Check your writing: gap fill

Complete the sentences with a word from the box.

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|-------|-----|------|---------|------------|---------|------|
| house | cat | eyes | teacher | Australian | brother | hair |
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I live in a big _____ with my mum, my dad and my big _____.

We live in London. My mum's name is Lucy. She's British and is an English _____.

My dad's name is Wayne. He's _____ and he's very tall and strong. He works in an office. My big brother is 18 and he goes to university. He has short, brown _____ and blue _____.

We've got a pet _____, Spotty!

3. Check your understanding: multiple choice

Circle the best answer for these questions.

1. Choose the correct option.
We lives in California.
We live in California.
2. Choose the correct option.
My mum's mexican.
My mum's Mexican.
3. Choose the correct option.
She's Spanish teacher.
She's a Spanish teacher.
4. Choose the correct option.
My dad name is David.
My dad's name is David.
5. Choose the correct option.
She's got long, brown hairs.
She's got long, brown hair.
6. Choose the correct option.
My dad's got short brown hair and blue eyes.
My dad got short brown hair and blue eyes.
7. Choose the correct option.
He work in a bank.
He works in a bank.
8. Choose the correct option.
We've a pet dog.
We've got a pet dog.

Discussion

Do you have a big family?