

Writing Sample



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From: Lily <lily@classroommail.com>
Subject: My Unhappy New School Life in Australia

Greeting

Dear Winnie,

Opening paragraph

Sorry for not keeping in touch! Hope you're doing fine. I guess you're still playing basketball for the school team. I wish I were back with you and all our classmates.

Body

It's been three months since I moved to Australia. Life here is rather tough! My new school is Victoria High School, which isn't located near the city centre. I have to get up very early in the morning to go to school every day.

Although my schoolwork is OK, I'm still having problems speaking English. That's why I'm too shy to talk with other classmates, and I cannot make friends here. Also, there're very few Chinese students in my school. Sitting behind me is a Chinese boy from Malaysia, who's quite nice, but he's even shyer than me. He spends most of his time listening to his iPod.

I often feel bored here as nobody in my class plays basketball—they are only interested in tennis and water sports. Oh, and cricket! I'm not fond of these. At the weekend, I just stay at home and watch DVDs. It's not at all like the fun we used to have. I really miss those days very much! What can I do to make things better?

Closing paragraph

I hope you'll have an enjoyable new school life and get along well with your classmates. Write back soon!

Close

Love,

Lily

