Dear Hostfamily,

Hello, I’m Kira and I liked to spend a year with you for a great experience. I’m 15 years old, I was born on February 1st 1998 and I live in Ratingen a small town nearby Düsseldorf. I really appreciate that you are reading my application, and that you are considering to let me live with you for a year. In the following letter I’d like to introduce myself.

My friends and my family would say I am a vivid and funny person who enjoys making new experiences and who is open for new things.

My relation to my parents is pretty good. I talked to them a lot and discuss many things with them. When I come home from school or friends, I tell them about my day. I also talk about my problems and worries, and ask them for help. I also ask for help when I don’t understand my school stuff or something like that.

My parents are living together. I have an older brother (Leon) and a younger sister (Lioba). We are very much alike. We all have the same duties and rights in our family. Of course we have different interests, but we are also good in doing things together. That works especially well with my brother because he is only two years older than me and we often have the same way of thinking.

I see my friends mostly at school, where I spend a lot of time with them. Sometimes I also meet them after school, especially with my best friend Fine. We also learn Japanese together.

My friends are very important for me because with them I can really be myself and I also trust them a lot, We have similar interests and we have gone through a lot of things together.

I really enjoy doing sports after school. For two years I do Judo once a week. Sometimes I also just go outside with my brother to play some basketball. Once a week I also go horse riding with Fine and Lioba.

I also learn Japanese in my free time with Fine. One hour a week, Toyoko Yamamoto, whose native language is Japanese, teaches us.