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### E-MAIL REPLY

#### **E-MAIL REPLY: FRENCH**

2012	Literary Club:
	What type of literature do you prefer and why?
	When are you free during the week to take part in club activities.
2013	Teaching Position:
	What knowledge, including language skills, would you bring to our work team.
	What experiences do you have with other cultures?
2014	Internship Opportunity:
	In what field do you plan to work and why?
	What has your linguistic background been so far?
2015	Debate and Speaking Contest:
	<ul> <li>Which scientific or technological invention has most influenced your life and how?</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>In your opinion, what problem(s) in our world could science and technology solve?</li> </ul>
2016	Scholarship Application:
	Why are you interested in studying in West Africa?
	Which of these two areas interests you more and why: cultural or economic aspects?
2017	International Week:
	What kind of shows or exhibitions do you plan to present?
	<ul> <li>How do you plan to effectively advertise the week to the general public?</li> </ul>
2018	Learning more about an NGO which assists children in Mauritius:
	<ul> <li>How would you organize the interview? Consider distance and time difference.</li> </ul>
	Why do you think students in your school would like to know more about our organization?

#### **E-MAIL REPLY: GERMAN**

2012	Volunteer Work with Children:
	<ul> <li>Do you prefer work as a crossing guard or a swim helper?</li> </ul>
	What experience do you have?
2013	Prospective Math Tutor:
	<ul> <li>How often and how long should tutoring sessions be held?</li> </ul>
	Which strategies do you use to study?
2014	Host Family:
	<ul> <li>What kind of accommodations are you seeking?</li> </ul>
	What kinds of tourist activities do you like?
2015	Architecture Firm:
	What if your idea of an ideal school building?
	When can you come to visit?
2016	Environmental Protection Organization:
	What kind of work do you find interesting?
	What experiences or abilities do you have?

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2017	School:
	What do you like about our school cafeteria?
	What can be improved?
2018	Local Youth Organization for City Beautification:
	What project ideas do you have for city beautification?
	When would be the best time for you to work?

## **E-MAIL REPLY: SPANISH**

2014	Interest in Environmental Group:
	Why are you interested in environmental issues?
	<ul> <li>What previous experiences would help you with this project?</li> </ul>
2015	Scholarship to Study in Peru:
	What difficulties do you think you might encounter living in a community and society that is
	different from yours?
	What impact would this experience have on your future?
2016	Sponsoring an Animal Shelter:
	Why did you decide to contribute to our organization?
	What type of animal would you like to sponsor and why?
2017	Interest in Online Classes:
	Why are you considering distance education?
	<ul> <li>What difficulties do you think you might have talking an online class?</li> </ul>
2018	Expressing Interests and Preferences When Traveling:
	Why are you interested in traveling abroad?
	<ul> <li>If you were traveling abroad, what information would you need to plan an itinerary?</li> </ul>

# **PERSUASIVE ESSAY**

## **PERSUASIVE ESSAY: FRENCH**

2012	Should I have the right to delete personal data on the Internet?
2013	Do you have to stop eating meat and become a vegetarian to be healthy?
2014	Should we lower the voting age to 16?
2015	Should the use of GMOs in food production be allowed?
2016	Should senior citizens be allowed to drive?
2017	Is it necessary to leave the parental home once one becomes an adult?
2018	Do we need to acquire a good sense of general cultural knowledge to succeed in the contemporary
	world?

## **PERSUASIVE ESSAY: GERMAN**

2012	When should young adults move away from home?
2013	Should young German men serve in the military?
2014	Should more students in Germany attend private schools?
2015	Should bicyclists be required to wear helmets?
2016	Are people today too fixated on fitness and beauty?
2017	Should be close all zoos?
2018	Should we travel and fly less for environmental reasons?

### **PERSUASIVE ESSAY: SPANISH**

2014	Is it better to participate or to not participate in social networks?
2015	Is it beneficial for a company to allow employees to work from home?
2016	Is it beneficial to increase the popularity of eBooks?
2017	Should cell phone use be allowed in high schools?
2018	Will traditional libraries be relevant in the future?

# **CONVERSATION**

### **CONVERSATION: FRENCH**

2012	Christine has just learned she will not be able to study in France.
2013	Véronique has lent you a note from a history class you are taking together.
2014	Martine, a young girl from the family that will welcome you in France, calls you because the date of
	your departure is approaching. She wants to check on some details of your stay.
2015	Salim asks you to help him organize French Week at your school.
2016	Nadine wants to plan an outing and needs your advice.
2017	Jerome has invited you to camp with him and two other classmates.
2018	Sebastian wants you to help him with one of his activities.

### **CONVERSATION: GERMAN**

2012	Peter has a problem with his car.
2013	Daniel needs your advice about attending a family party.
2014	Sabine loaned you her iPad and needs to have it back.
2015	Mareike wants to attend a talk on vegetarianism.
2016	Gabi wants your opinion on her plans to study abroad.
2017	Hannah does not want to take piano lessons anymore.
2018	Thomas has a problem with his bike.

### **CONVERSATION: SPANISH**

2014	Raúl was accepted to the same university as you. He talks to you about filling out his housing preferences form.
2015	José is the president of the school's international club and wants to collaborate with you, a member of the Spanish club, on a school-wide project.
2016	Sonia talks to you about volunteer job opportunities and community service.
2017	Your classmate Juan is working with you on a website about your hometown for a class project.
2018	Your friend Carla missed a meeting with academic counselors to talk about university studies and has questions for you.

### **CULTURAL COMPARISON**

### **CULTURAL COMPARISON: FRENCH**

2012	What is the attitude of people in your community regarding the importance of cultural diversity?
2013	What is the attitude of people in your community regarding the importance of visual arts such as
	painting, photography, sculpture, and drawing?
2014	How have recent scientific innovations touched the lives of people in your community?
2015	How has immigration and the presence of immigrants affected the lives of people in your community?
2016	What role does recycling play in your community?
2017	How has access to medical care (hospitals, insurance, medicine, etc.) affected the lives of people in
	your community?
2018	What place does advertising occupy in your community?

#### **CULTURAL COMPARISON: GERMAN**

2012	What activities in your community have to do with young artists? (actors, musicians, painters)
2013	What role do famous people play in your community? (actors, athletes, politicians)
2014	What role do part-time jobs play in your community?
2015	What meaning do festivals and holidays hold for people in your community?
2016	What role do cars and public transportation play in your community?
2017	What role does regional culture play in your community? (dialects, eating habits, traditions)
2018	How does the school system influence the life of people in your community?

### **CULTURAL COMPARISON: SPANISH**

2014	How do people in your community feel about the importance of learning other languages?
2015	How has fast food affected the lives of people in your community?
2016	What kinds of events or activities are considered an expression of cultural identity in your community?
2017	What role does the media play in the development of self-image for people in your community?
2018	What is the attitude of people in your community towards the treatment of animals?