

Spanish Activity: Write a Message About Someone in Your Family

Directions (for students, in English):

1. Choose a person from your family (for example: your mom, dad, brother, sister, cousin, grandmother, etc.).
2. Write a short message (4-6 sentences) introducing this person.
3. Use the questions (in Spanish) below to guide your writing. You don't need to answer all of them, but try to use at least 3.
4. Use the word bank (Spanish/English) to help with vocabulary.
5. Be sure to include details so your reader can picture this person!

Guiding Questions (Preguntas en español):

- ¿Cómo se llama esta persona?
- ¿Cuántos años tiene?
- ¿Qué relación tienes con esta persona?
- ¿Cómo es físicamente?
- ¿Cómo es su personalidad?
- ¿Qué le gusta hacer?
- ¿Por qué es especial para ti?

Word Bank (Spanish / English):

Family Members / Los miembros de la familia

- madre = mother
- padre = father
- hermano = brother
- hermana = sister
- primo/a = cousin
- abuela = grandmother
- abuelo = grandfather
- tía = aunt
- tío = uncle

Descriptions (Appearance) / Descripciones (Aspecto físico)

- alto/a = tall

- bajo/a = short
- joven = young
- viejo/a = old
- tiene el pelo castaño = has brown hair
- tiene los ojos azules = has blue eyes
- fuerte = strong
- bonito/a = pretty
- guapo/a = handsome

Personality / Personalidad

- gracioso/a = funny
- amable = kind
- serio/a = serious
- inteligente = smart
- simpático/a = friendly
- bueno/a = nice
- trabajador(a) = hard-working
- creativo/a = creative

Activities / Actividades

- lee = reads
- cocina = cooks
- trabaja = works
- juega deportes = plays sports
- escucha música = listens to music
- mira la televisión = watches TV
- viaja = travels
- estudia = studies

Helpful Phrases / Frases útiles

- Se llama... = His/Her name is...
- Él/Ella es... = He/She is...
- Le gusta... = He/She likes to...
- Me gusta pasar tiempo con... = I like spending time with...
- Es especial porque... = He/She is special because...

Letter Writing Vocabulary

Greetings / Saludos

- Dear... = Querido/a...
- Hello... = Hola...
- Hi... = ¡Hola!

Openings / Frases para empezar

- How are you? = ¿Cómo estás?
- I hope you are well. = Espero que estés bien.
- I am writing to tell you about... = Te escribo para contarte de...
- I want to tell you about my family. = Quiero contarte sobre mi familia.

Transitions / Transiciones

- Also = También
- And = Y
- But = Pero
- Because = Porque
- First = Primero
- Then = Luego
- Finally = Finalmente

Helpful Expressions / Expresiones útiles

- His/Her name is... = Se llama...
- He/She is... = Él/Ella es...
- He/She has... = Él/Ella tiene...
- He/She likes to... = Le gusta...
- I like... = Me gusta...
- My family is... = Mi familia es...

Closings / Despedidas

- Sincerely, = Sinceramente,
- From, = De,
- Love, = Con cariño,

- A hug from... = Un abrazo de...
- See you soon! = ¡Hasta pronto!

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