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Sample

FORM # 5: Self-Introduction to Overseas Peers and Language Instructors

Here is a chance to tell your peers and language teacher about yourself in a letter. Below are recommended questions you should address in your letter, which must not exceed 500 words and must be written in English.

**NSLI-Y recommends that you prepare and save the letter in a word processing program, such as Microsoft Word. You may copy and paste your letter into the space below once you have completed it in a word processing program.*

- How would your family and friends describe your personality?
- How would you describe your relationship with your family and friends? For example, what is your role in the family? In what types of situations do you seek advice from your family and friends?
- What are your different roles in your community? For example, what are your roles in school, sports, community activities, etc.?
- If selected for NSLI-Y you will be part of a community and family, not a guest. Explain how would you adapt and what would make you a unique addition to a family and community that will likely be different from your own?
- In what ways have you prepared for the challenges of the program experience?
- What is important to you? What motivates you?
- What are your education and career goals?

Your letter will be read as part of your application and may be shared with overseas peers or language instructors if you are selected. Consider formatting your response like an actual letter with a salutation and closing.

Your Letter:

Essays

Please write two (2) detailed essays about the topics listed below. Note the following:

- You **must** complete both essays.
- For the first essay, you must answer the question provided.
- For the second essay, choose one of the two offered topics.
- Essays must be written in English.

TIPS:

- *Comply with the maximum word count under each text box.*
- *NSLI-Y recommends that you prepare and save the essays in a word processing program, such as Microsoft® Word. You may copy and paste your essays into the spaces below once you have completed them in a word processing program.*

First Essay (maximum 250 words)

- 1) List and explain three (3) reasons why you want to participate in NSLI-Y.

Enter your first essay below:

Maximum of 250 words allowed

Second Essay (maximum 250 words)

2) Choose one of the two topics below for your second essay and respond.

- (A) Describe a difficult situation you faced recently. What did you learn about yourself? Is there anything you would do differently? Why or why not?
- (B) Describe a situation where you worked hard but did not achieve your goal. What did you learn? Is there anything you would do differently? Why or why not?

Enter your second essay below:

Maximum of 250 words allowed