

Task 1

French – Writing a letter to a French Penpal

Below is a letter from Mme Dale. Please read it and then write your letter.

Please send it to the year 6 email so she can send it onwards to France.

Dear all ,

I hope that you are well.

Unfortunately it looks like our quarantine period is going to last a bit longer than expected so I have suggested to Claude Sausseureau (our French correspondent) that we keep communicating. It would be a shame that our strong link fades away.

I thought that we could use our current situation as an opportunity rather than a hindrance. As this is a global pandemic, I thought that it would be a good idea to ask some of our children in England and in France to write letters to each other based on the Coronavirus :

- How has my life changed?
- How is the Coronavirus affecting me?
- What happened to my country and when?
- Positive changes on our global environment?

I think it could be an interesting project and also I feel that bringing a bit of optimism and hope in our children's lives is very important during this difficult time.

I would be very grateful if you could ask some of your children at school/ at home this week to write a letter and send it to me as an electronic copy to share with our pen pals .

Thank you

I am looking forward to hearing from you.

Mme Dale

Below are a few helpful phrases to use.

Below are some notes and sentence starters you might want to use in your letter. You might want to alter the wording so everyone's letters are different or you might want to focus on a particular aspect of what you have been doing! If you mention specific things (like the awesome Joe Wicks workouts!) make sure you explain what they are. You could also change the order of the starters to suit you.

Dear correspondent, *or* Dear friend,

Hasn't life changed! I hope this letter finds you well.

This is our *fourth* week in quarantine because of the Corona-virus. Life is very different because...

The thing that is annoying me most is...

I really miss...

When we go out for exercise, we have to...

On the other hand, there are lots of positives coming out of the 'lockdown' too, including:

I am actually really enjoying...

I am very pleased that...

I have been really impressed by...

Stay safe and we hope to hear from you again soon,

I look forward to reading your letters,

AVOID:

Giving your full addresses/email addresses

Overly personal information

Just doom and gloom! Look for the positives too!

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