

MEERIM AND ALBINA, KYRGYZSTAN

TEACHING NOTES

WORDS

Anime: A Japanese style of film using animated drawings; a type of cartoon.

SOME QUESTIONS FOR DISCUSSION AND/OR WRITING

1. What country would you like to visit someday? What are three specific things you would like to do or like to see in that country? Why?
2. What are some ways that friends or other people show hospitality to you? How do you express appreciation for hospitality?
3. In your culture, is it important to keep hospitality “equal”? If you accept hospitality from someone, do you need to do something good for that person in return?

TRANSCRIPT NOTES, TEXTBOOK ENGLISH

No one anywhere in the world speaks “perfect textbook English” at all times. We certainly do not want to demand that our students use only “perfect textbook English.” These notes are provided to help you if your students ask questions about some small points of usage.

Meerim: Hello

Albina: Hi

Meerim: What have you been doing this week?

Albina: This week I’ve been pretty busy with studying and helping around the house. I’ve also spent some time teaching English online, which I really enjoy. And what about you?

Meerim: This week my exams finished and so I helped with the housework and finally got some rest. It was a very calm and nice week.

Albina: By the way, which countries have you wanted to visit? **(OR Do you want to visit?)**

Meerim: I’d love to visit Japan. I’m very interested in their culture, traditions, and of course anime and food. So, how about you?

Albina: I have wanted to travel to France since I was a child. I want to see its beautiful places and learn its culture.

Meerim: Nice.

Meerim: What **do you tell would you like to say** about Kyrgyz culture for our students?

Albina: Let me see. I want to tell the students that Kyrgyz culture is very friendly. And what do you think?

Meerim: Yes, I agree with you. Kyrgyz culture is very rich and unique. We have strong traditions, beautiful songs, and our people are known for their hospitality.

Albina: We had a good discussion today.

Meerim: Yes.

Albina: Bye.

Meerim: See you