

Seq 01: My personality and my experiences

Alessandra

Hi Daniel

My name is Alessandra , it's an Italian name, because my grandmother was from Italy, but I'm Argentinean and I live in Mendoza, a big city in the west of the country . I'm 15 years old and I'm studying computer science. I really like it .

I'm going to tell you about myself , as you can see from the photo , I've a long fair hair and green eyes . I wear glasses, but I want get lenses soon .

I think I'm a positive person ,I'm exrovert and friendly, I'm quite organised and good at planning and thinking about. I'm quite flexible and open-minded, and always willing to listen if there's a better way of doing things. I'm quite friendly, cheerful and outgoing, but also very committed, competitive and ambitious, as well as being a bit of a risk-taker. I'm quite a confident person, and I'm not easily fazed. I'm a good speaker too and quite eloquent. In my free time, I love reading and going to the cinema . But I don't have much free time because I have classes every day and a lot of work to do even at weekends .

BEST WISHES

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My aunt Emily

Of all my relatives, I like my aunt Emily the best. She's my mother's youngest sister. She has naver married, and she lives alone in a small village near Bath. She's in her late fifties, but she's still quite young in spirit. She has a fair complexion, thick brown hair which she wears in a bun, and dark brown eyes. She has a kind face, and when you meet her, the first thing you notice is her lovely, warm smile. Her face is a little wrinkled now, but I think she is still rather attractive. She is the sort of person you can always go to if you have a problem.

She likes reading and gardening, and she goes for long walks over the hills with her dog, Buster. She's a very active person. Either she's making something, or mending something, or doing something to help others. She does the shopping for some of the old people in the village. She's extremely generous, but not very tolerant with people who don't agree with her. I hope that I am as happy and contented as she is when I'm her age.

Road accident

It was getting darker, but there weren't any lights on. There were few cars in the street when I was driving home last Friday evening. Some drivers were hurrying to get back home, but they weren't really driving quickly. Neither was I. Suddenly, I noticed a boy riding his bicycle alone at that late time. At first, I did not pay much attention, but very shortly, things got wrong. While I was turning left, somehow the boy lost control of his bike. As I became aware of the boy's trouble, I attempted to avoid the bike but it was too late. "While the bike was coming too fast, the boy seemed very frightened and unable to change its direction", I told the police officers later. When the boy fell, I hurried to help him. Fortunately, the crash wasn't hard enough, so the boy got only minor injuries.

Road accident 02

SIX PEOPLE KILLED IN ROAD ACCIDENT

Six people have been killed in a pile-up on the motorway1, this afternoon. Seventeen other people have been hurt. Six lorries and seventeen cars are involved in the crash.

The accident occurred shortly after 4:00 p.m. when a lorry was hit by another one which was overtaking it. The two lorries blocked the way, and they were hit then by several other cars. The cars and lorries caught fire. Some of the people were injured when they tried to escape from the fire. The motorway hasn't been cleared yet and the traffic is still being held up.

Ambulances and the fire brigades have been called from neighbouring towns and are converging to the site of the accident.

Road accidents (causes and effects)

During the past five years, the number of the Algerians killed annually in car accidents has climbed to more than 10.000. This needless slaughter on streets and highways can be attributed to three general causes. Mechanical failures, especially those related to faulty brakes and bald tyres, account for significant number of fatal accidents. Environmental conditions such as blind corner, narrow streets, heavy fog, intermittent rain or snow resulting in slippery roads to the grisly accidents statistics. However, without doubt the most frequently reported factors in car accidents are errors of human judgment all the way from such follies as excessive speed and drunken driving to such momentary lapses as failure to signal a turn or a change from one lane to another. He, Man, behind the wheel is often his own worst enemy.

Life in the past (Used to)

Life in the deep past was very hard. People used to live in caves without electricity or gas. To get their food, they used to hunt animals with spears which used to be made of stone. In addition, people of that period used to wear animal skins. Furthermore, they used to be fond of some arts like: drawing on walls and playing the flute. Cavemen who didn't use to have doors to protect them from dangerous animals, used to burn fire in the entrance of the cave to frighten these animals.
