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To: Klera Language School

Dear Sir or Madam,

It was a midsummer night... Well, more likely a winter evening, when two men in overalls rang our door bell and said that they were there for the cable TV. I wasn't even 4 yet but I still remember every detail of that day. It was then that I was first introduced to Cartoon Network and my interest for the English language sparked.

Just a few weeks earlier my parents had enrolled me in a F.E.G. (French-English-German) kindergarden because it seemed to be the only place where I would stop hiding under the bed and biting the tutors as I did in 2 or 3 other institutions. All the "Ba, ba, black sheep" and "Old McDonald had a farm" songs seeded a passion for foreign languages that is still alive today.

Until I was around 14 years of age, I had the habit of first thinking in English and only afterwards translating my thoughts into Romanian. But as I was required to perform more and better in school, I gradually started to replace my "native" English with Romanian. I did that quite successfully and managed to collaborate with 2 magazines in highschool, to launch a book in the first year of college and make the first steps toward a career in copywriting.

Even though I'm only 22 now, it is more and more obvious to me that if I want to share my ideas with the world and really make a change in my community, I need to study abroad and get an idea of how others do things in order to implement them here. And also, I would love to be able to write proper copy and literature in English, something that isn't quite at hand right now due to my language level.

An experience in the U.K. would really help me in my upcoming IELTS test and get a feeling of what real English sounds like – movies and documentaries are often in American English and the vocabulary level is so low that it doesn't even come near the true potential and wonder of this language.

I hope my letter can convince you that this is a chance I wouldn't take for granted and might just be the corner stone in my development that would allow me to grow bigger and better.

Yours faithfully,
Anca