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Teens around the world


English is the official language of the UK. It's also the language of lots of other countries around the world! Today we talk to two teens, Sam and Amanda.




Hello, I'm Sam. I'm from Belize. It's a small country in Central America. I'm twelve. My birthday is in September. My interests are swimming and bird-watching. Birds are really interesting. I think they're cool. My pets are a parrot and a toucan. They are very intelligent birds! My favourite things are my computer games and my computer.



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Hi there! My name's Amanda. I'm twelve and I'm from Singapore. It's a small country in Asia. My parents are from China. My interests are pop music and football. I'm a Young Lions fan – they're a great team. What are my favourite things? My mp3 player and my music collection. I love music! My house is an apartment. There isn't a garden, but it's near the sea. The bedrooms are small but there is a large living room. My pets are two cats. They're cool.



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Reading

1a Read the text and decide if the statements are true (T) or false (F).

- 1 English is the official language in the UK. T
- 2 Belize is a big country.
- 3 Sam is thirteen.
- 4 Sam's birthday is in September.
- 5 Amanda is from Singapore
- 6 Her parents are from China.
- 7 Her favourite football team is the Young Lions.
- 8 Amanda's pets are two dogs.

1b Read the text again and complete the table.

	Sam	Amanda
age	twelve	
country		
pets	a and a	two
favourite things	his and his	her and her

Writing: Over to you...

2a Complete the sentences for you.

- 1 My name's .
- 2 I'm from .
- 3 My interests are and .
- 4 My favourite animal is .
- 5 My favourite things are my and my .

2b Write a paragraph about your room and your favourite things. Use the words in the boxes or your own ideas.

armchair desk rug wall
wardrobe window

DVD player games console
TV mp3 player

books computer lamp poster

In my bedroom, there is a desk. Next to the bed, there are books and my guitar. I think that's cool. On the wall, there are posters. My favourite things are my DVD player, my armchair and my TV. They're in my room. They're very important to me.
