## Hello everybody!

In 2017, I had the chance to experience the Australian lifestyle and school system for three months.

After a long flight, I arrived at the airport of Melbourne at 30°C, where my host family had already been waiting for me. The flight was quite long, so I was a bit tired, but nevertheless really liked my first impressions of the "Aussie" lifestyle.

After a couple of weeks at the Australian school I attended, I could say that school life is pretty different to ours in Germany. For example, I was not used to wearing school uniforms, but actually it saves a lot of time in the morning and it is very comfortable, so I would love to have them in Germany as well!

Furthermore, in Germany we pursue our hobbies like sports or playing an instrument usually outside of school. It's great that the Australian pupils do these activities at school. For this reason, school doesn't seem to be a place for studying and learning only.

In the holidays I got to know another part of Australia when my family took me to Queensland, to the Gold Coast. It was always sunny there and I spent lots of time in the ocean. As I love swimming, this was great for me!

I enjoyed every moment "down under" and I am really grateful for all the opportunities I had!

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