

2/18/2014

Dear SSG. Perez,

Hi. My name is Asha. Don't you miss your family so much? Well, if I was so far away, I would miss my family. I also want to thank you for fighting for your country. How is your day going? My day was the best. Are you married? Do you have any pets? I have a dog and a gerbil. How hot is it there? Do you get to have free time? Could you come to my class? I hope I hear from you soon.

Your friend,

Asha

2/18/2014

Dear SSG. Perez,

Hi. My name is Seanise. Where do you live? Thank you for fighting for our country. Do you like strawberries? They are my favorite thing to eat. What animals do you have? Do you see any wild animals there? I love dogs many other animals. Do you have a favorite animal? What is Afghanistan? Is it a big place? Write back soon.

Your friend,

Seanise

2/18/2014

Dear SGT. Solomon,

Hi. Thank you for fighting for our country. Do you play games? My favorite game is Poke-Mon. I like to play on the computer. Do you get enough sleep? Do you have any siblings? I have a 3 brothers and a sister. Do you eat good food? What is your favorite food? I love pizza. I like cake too. Do you have any kids? I bet they would be happy to have you as a parent. What is it like to fight for our country? Write back soon.

Love,

Joshua

2/18/2014

Dear LT. Brown,

Thank you for saving our country. I have some questions to ask. What is your favorite food? My favorite food is corn. Are you a girl or a boy? My name is Makayla. Is it hot there? Do you like to swim? I do! If I were there, I would love to swim a lot. Where are you from? I have always lived in Indianapolis. How dangerous is your job? I have a friend that wants to be a soldier but they would miss the holidays.

Your friend,

Makayla

2/18/2014

Dear SPC. Dome,

Hi. My name is Destiny. What is your favorite food? Mine is pizza. What animals do you have there? When is your birthday? Mine is September 4<sup>th</sup>. Where do you sleep? What kind of bed do you have? When you are home do you live in a house or apartment? I live in a house. What kind of pets do you have? I have a dog named Diamond. Do you have to wear a uniform every day? Thank you for fighting for our country.

Your friend,

Destiny

2/18/2014

Dear SGT LaFortune,

How do you sleep at night? I hope you sleep well. What kinds of animals are there? My favorite animal is a lion. Have you seen one? How did you get there? Did you fly on an airplane or helicopter? I would love to fly in a helicopter. What do you like to eat? I like carrots and blueberries. Do you take showers or baths? Where is your family? What is it like there? Do you get to talk to your family? I think it would be hard if you don't get to talk to them.

Your friend,

Isaiah B

2/18/2014

Dear SPC. Schwartz,

Thank you for fighting for our country! My favorite subject is math. What is your favorite subject? Where do you live? Do you live in a house or a tent? I think it would be fun to stay in a tent. Is it hot in Afghanistan? It is cold here. We would like to see the sun now. Is it hot like a desert? What language do they speak? What do you like to eat? I like to eat Pizza. What are the people like there? I hope they are nice. Do you have a family? Do you have any kids? I have 8 brothers and live with my mom. Can you please write me back?

Your friend,

Robert

2/18/2014

Dear SSG. Villafuerte,

My name is Jay'Anna. Do you have food over there? Do you have candy? I love candy! Where are you from? I am from Indianapolis. Is it warm over there? It is still cold here. Are you a boy or a girl? Do you have a family? I live with my mom, dad, uncle, aunt, and my brothers and sisters. Do you live in a house? I live in a big house here.

Your friend,

Jay'Anna

2/18/2014

Dear SPC. Medina,

My name is Serenity. Do you have a family? I have one brother and no sisters. How old are you? I am 8 years old. I am a 2<sup>nd</sup> grader at Phalen Leadership Academy. What kind of food do you like? I like macaroni and cheese. Do you have a father? Do you have any brothers or sisters? Are you having a great time? What is the hardest part of your job? Thank you for saving our country.

Your friend,

Serenity

2/18/2014

Dear SPC. Heyward,

Hi. My name is Nevaeh. May I please ask you some questions about your life? Where are you from? I am from Georgia. Do you have a wife or husband? What is your favorite place to eat? My favorite place is Fazoli's. When is your birthday? Mine is October 11<sup>th</sup>. How old are you? I am seven years old. I like to exercise. Do you? What animals are there in Afghanistan? We have lots of animals here. What language do the people speak over there? What time is it over there? Do you use your time wisely? I do! Do you live in an apartment? I do. What is your favorite drink? Mine is Pepsi. I hope you stay safe.

Sincerely,

Nevaeh

2/18/2014

Dear SPC. Owens,

Thank you for fighting for our country! I am a 2<sup>nd</sup> grader at Phalen Leadership Academy. My favorite subject is reading. What is your favorite subject? How many animals are in Afghanistan? Do you live in a house or a tent? Do you like animals? I like a couple different animals. I like dogs and cats. Do you miss your family? I know I would. Thanks again and stay safe. I hope to hear from you soon.

Sincerely,

Ka'Laya

2/18/2014

Dear PFC. Jenkins

Thank you for fighting for our country. I am a 2<sup>nd</sup> grade student at Phalen leadership Academy and my name is Derriya. What is your favorite Animal? I like dogs. I have one as a pet. Her name is Diamond. What is your favorite food? My favorite is hot dogs with ketchup and mustard. Where do you sleep? I sleep on a bunk bed. My family has two daughters and one son. Do you have any kids? My daddy lives with my grandma and I live with my momma. Who do you live with? Write back soon.

Your friend,

Derriya

2/18/2014

Dear LT. Brown,

Thank you for fighting for our country! I really appreciate it. I am seven years old. How old are you? What is your favorite food? My favorite food is corn, cheese, and peas all mixed together. What is your favorite animal in Afghanistan? My favorite animal is a hamster because they are so tiny. I love tiny things. How hot is it there? How are you helping the people over there? Are they showing good leadership? I love to be a leader. Thank you for showing great leadership.

Sincerely yours,

Deania

2/18/2014

Dear SGT. LaFortune,

Hi. My name is Khalid. I am in 2<sup>nd</sup> grade. What is your first name? Where are you from? What is your favorite food? I like to eat pizza and chicken. What is your favorite car? Mine is a truck. I like big trucks not semis. What is your favorite animal? I like turtles. I have a dog at home. What pets do you have? Can you come to our school sometime? Do you see pigs, sheep, and cows? I have seen them at the farm.

Sincerely,

Khalid

2/18/2014

Dear SPC. Riddick,

Thank you for fighting for our country. We are thankful because you saved our country. My name is Martell and I have two lizards at home. Do you have a pet? Are there snakes where you are? What do you like to eat? I like to eat pizza. Do you have a son? I have a mom, dad, sister, and a dog named Polo. Where are you from? I am from Indiana. I have always lived here.

Your friend,

Martell

2/18/2014

Dear SPC. Crider,

Thank you for fighting for our country. I am a 2<sup>nd</sup> grade student at PLA. My name is Kiana. Is that country pretty? Are there lions? What kind of food is there to eat?

Your friend,

Kiana

2/18/2014

Dear SPC. Lofton,

Thank you for fighting for our country. I am a 2<sup>nd</sup> grade student at PLA. My name is Julius. Are there any snakes? What kinds? I like snakes. Do you? Are there lions? I don't like lions so much. I like bananas. Do you like fruit? What kinds of food do they have there? I like to try new foods. How do you make food and where do you get it? My family cooks but we also get food from restaurants when my mom is tired. Are there iguanas there? Write back soon.

Sincerely,

Julius

2/18/2014

Dear SGT. Solomon,

Hi. My name is Amiela. My favorite food is salad and my favorite fruit is grapes. What do you like to eat? My favorite candy is chocolate and I love reading. Do you like "The Stupid Tale Book"? It is a book of tales that are mixed up. My favorite exercise is riding my bike. My favorite kind of shows are mystery shows. SGT., Do you have children? What kind of languages do you know how to speak? Is it hard living over there? How do you help the people there? Where do you sleep? Do you have anything to drink over there? I like to drink chocolate milk. Are you confident? I try to be sometimes. Can you write back to people?

Sincerely,

Amiela

2/18/2014

Dear SSG. Farrar,

Hi. My name is Chalice. How are you doing? I want to ask some questions. What state did you come from? I come from Indiana. What is your favorite food? My favorite food is pizza. Do you live in a tent, house, or apartment? I live in an apartment. Do you have a pet like a kitty, cat, dog, or puppy? My favorite pet is a puppy and a hamster. Do you have a family? I have a family. I have a mom, two brothers, and a lot of cousins. I have a dad who doesn't live with me and I really miss him. Do you have activities to do there? I hope you do because I don't want you to get bored. Well that is all the time I have for now. I hope to talk to you real soon.

Sincerely,

Chalice

2/18/2014

Dear SPC. Townsend,

Hi. My name is Roy. How are you today? Do you ride in boats? I like boats. Are you married? How old are you? I am 8. What kind of animals do you see there? I love foxes and tigers. What do you like? Do you have to wear a uniform? Is it camouflage? We have to a uniform to school. What kind of school did you go to when you were a kid? What is your favorite subject? I like math and reading. Do you sleep in a tent or do you sleep in a house? I think it is better to sleep in a house. Thank you for fighting for our country and lives.

Sincerely,

Roy

2/18/2014

Dear SPC. Townsend,

Hi. My name is Anyha. I'd like to say thank you for risking your life for me. I have a few questions I would like to ask. Are you married? Do you have any children? I have 14 brothers and 4 sisters. What is your favorite food to eat? I like noodles. Did you graduate high school? I can't wait to go to high school. I have an older brother. Do you have an older brother? How is it in Afghanistan? I am in Indianapolis. Stay safe and I will talk to you later.

Sincerely,

Anyha

2/18/2014

Dear SPC. Crider,

Hi. My name is Mahari. Thank you for fighting for our country! I am a 2<sup>nd</sup> grader at Phalen Leadership Academy. My favorite Subject is reading. What is your favorite subject? Do you like math? Do you have pet dogs? I don't have a pet but my cousin does. Do you have a swimming pool? I hope so because it is so hot over there. Do you have a desk? I do in my classroom. Do you have any kids? I live with my mom and my sister. Who do you live with? Do you wear flip flops? Are the houses big or small there? Take care and be safe.

Your friend,

Mahari

2/18/2014

Dear SPC. Dome ,

Hi. My name is Juelz. I have a lot of brothers. There are 15. How many brothers do you have? I have 2 sisters. Do you have 2 sisters? Do you like football and basketball? I play them over the summer. I just play outside. Did you play basketball or football? I like video games. Do you like video games? What is your favorite food? I like pizza. Do you like pizza? I am in 2<sup>nd</sup> grade now and I want to go to high school. Do you have any children? Stay safe.

Thank you for fighting for our country.

Your friend,

Juelz

2/18/2014

Dear SPC. Schwartz,

Hi! My name is Dazshawn. I am a 2<sup>nd</sup> grader at Phalen Leadership Academy. Thank you for fighting for our country. How do you take baths? Do you have a place to take a shower? Are their girls fighting with you? It would be nice to have someone fighting with me. Are you happy in the armed forces? What do you like to eat? Are there coconuts? I haven't had one but I want one. What foods do you get to eat? I get to eat burritos and milk. My favorite food is pizza. I love coca-cola. What do you like to drink? Have you drank the milk out of coconuts? How does it taste? Do you like math? I do. What is your favorite sport? I have more than one favorite. I like baseball, basketball, and football. Write back soon.

Sincerely,

Dazshawn

2/18/2014

Dear SPC. Heyward,

Hi. My name is Isaiah J. Thank you for making sure nobody comes over here. Thank you for fighting for our country and city. Is it hot? Can you watch TV? What is your favorite show? I like spongebob. I like the gingerbread man on nickelodeon. I like cartoon network too. What kinds of food do you like? I like to eat ribs, spinach, and pizza. What kinds of pets do you like? I like cats and dogs. Is there cold water there? Do you like apples? How can you sleep in a tent? I like sleeping in tents. Stay safe and I will talk to you soon.

Sincerely,

Isaiah J

2/18/2014

Dear SPC. Owens,

Hi. My name is Jai'Lah. Thank you for fighting for our country. What kind of food do you eat there? I like to eat chicken. We are thankful that you are fighting for us. What do you sleep on? I sleep on a bunk bed. Where do you wash up? Where do you live? I live in a house. Do you miss your family? I hope you stay safe and write back soon.

Your friend,

Jail'Lah

2/18/2014

Dear SSG. Villafuerte,

Hi. I am Katherine. I am a second grader and my favorite subject is math. What is yours? Thank you for fighting for our country! Where do you live? I live in Indiana. Do you live in Indiana too? I wonder if you could come visit so we could thank you for all of the wonderful things you did for our country. Do you have any family members? Do you just have a mom or dad? I live with my mom, dad, grandma, grandpa, great aunt and my great uncle. I live with everyone except my brother and my nieces and nephews. One of my nephews I live with and the rest are just brothers and sisters. What happens if you run out of food and no one is there? What kind of animals do you see? Do you go to the desert or do you stay in the city? What happens if you don't have anything to sleep on? What do you have to sleep on? I love sleeping on the floor but I may get tired of it. I hope you have the time to come and visit. Thank you for fighting for our country.

Thanks again,

Katherine