

# Get to know me: Why Should I Share About Myself?

1 Peter 4:8 NIV "Above all, love each other deeply, because love covers over a multitude of sins."

**Emmanuel Katongole, in "We are not the Hero"**



## Why it is important to share about yourself :

- Some people like to pray to God, but don't like to read the Bible. Isn't that saying that you like to talk, but not listen? Strong relationships need both sides talking, and both sides listening
- Often times our relationship with missions is one sided: we give, but don't receive. We listen and learn about them, but then don't let them do the same for us
- It is very common for us to ask children abroad to send their picture and basic information to America to wait for someone to sponsor them: but do we do the same for them? There is something very vulnerable about sharing about yourself and letting someone else choose to pray for you: so that is what we are going to do

## Pray For:

- Missions to become a real part of your life
- A growing relationship with God
- Ways to give and receive in your relationships
- Ways to give and receive in missions
- Wisdom in what to share about yourself

## Questions to talk about:

- What does it mean to have a relationship with someone?
- What does "Reciprocal relationship" mean?
- What does it mean to have a partnership with someone?
- Why is it important to give and receive, instead of just one or the other?
- How can missions become more like a pilgrimage (traveling together in life) than aid?
- Why is it important to share about yourself?
- What are some other things you can do to get to know about missions, and help those in missions get to know you?

**Something Extra:** on "PursueGod Kids" YouTube channel there is a video called "Foundations for Kids #3: How to Grow in Your Relationship With God"



# Get to know me: What Would I Want to Know?

Matthew 7:12 NIV "So in everything, do to others what you would have them do to you, for this sums up the Law and the Prophets."



## What is the quickest way to help someone get to know you?

- Whenever you travel out of the country, you have to have a passport. This tells people that you are who you say you are. There are specific rules for passports, and the most important part is the picture.
- They say a picture is worth a thousand words, and that is very true when getting to know someone. It might feel silly, or you might feel shy to share your picture, but remember, that is what the Living Stones kids have already done
- Think about the things you talk about with your friends. Think about the things that you want to know about the Living Stones kids: these are the kind of things that you can share about yourself

## Pray for:

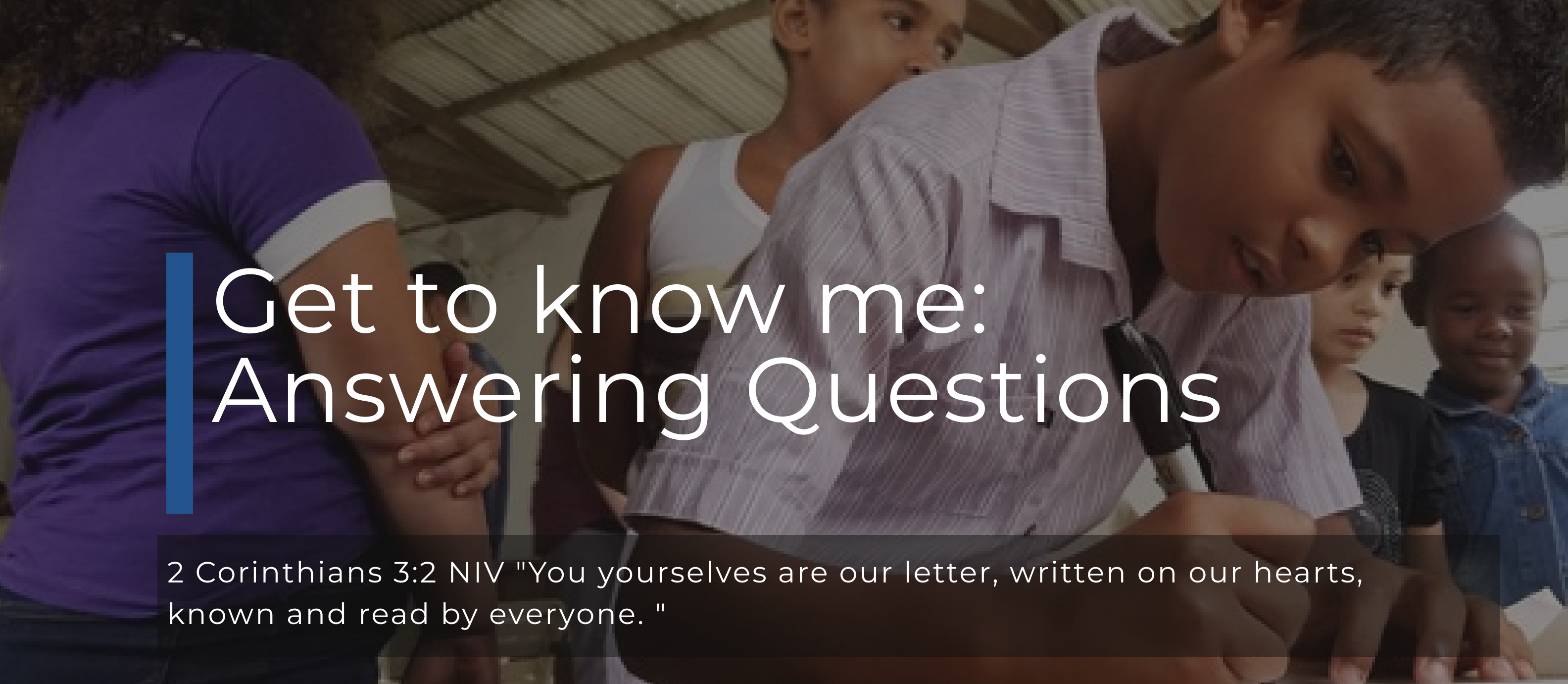
- The grace to share a picture and information about yourself
- Wisdom in what to share
- Being willing to set out of your comfort zone
- The courage to be vulnerable and let someone else choose you, instead of being in charge of the choice

## Questions to talk about:

- Why is it hard for some people to take pictures? To share pictures?
- Why are pictures so powerful?
- How can a picture help you to get to know someone?
- What do you want to know about the Living Stones kids?
- What do you talk about with your friends to get to know them better?
- Why does it feel different to think that the Living Stones kids will "choose" you, instead of you "choosing" a sponsored child?

**Something Extra:** "Five Minutes of Fergie" YouTube channel has a video called "Pen Pals Shelbyville 2018"





# Get to know me: Answering Questions

2 Corinthians 3:2 NIV "You yourselves are our letter, written on our hearts, known and read by everyone. "

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Favorite kind of music/band  
(tipo de música ou banda favorita):

Favorite movie/show  
(filme ou programa favorito):

Favorite animal  
(animal favorito):

Name (nome):

Birthday (Aniversario):

Age (idade):

Favorite food  
(comida preferida):

Favorite sport  
(esporte favorito):

Favorite color  
(Cor preferido):

Favorite school subject  
(matéria escolar favorita):

### Prayer Pal Page:

- To work on a relationship that gives and receives, we are filling out a prayer pal page with your picture, and some information about you
- Normally, the Living Stones kids do this for you, but don't end up getting to learn about you. This time, we are sending them all of our prayer pal pages, and they will each choose one to take home and pray for
- Remember, the Living Stones kids speak Portuguese, so next class we will translate what you wrote: so leave plenty of space to write more than
- If you have extra time, on the opposite side of the prayer pal page, you can draw a picture, or write more things you'd like to share

### Pray For:

- The grace to share information about yourself
- Wisdom in what to share
- Being willing to set out of your comfort zone
- The courage to be vulnerable and let someone else choose you, instead of being in charge of the choice

### Questions to talk about:

- We've talked about why we are sharing about ourselves, but how does it make you feel?
- What kind of feelings do you think the Living Stones kids had when they took pictures and filled out information about themselves?
- What do you think it will feel like for them to pick out a prayer pal?
- If you've ever chosen a sponsored child: why did you choose that one? Why do you think a Living Stones kid would choose a certain prayer pal?

**Something Extra:** At [Pinterest.com/rwinzeler](https://www.pinterest.com/rwinzeler/), there is a board called "About me Letter" with more ideas, and the World Vision Canada YouTube channel video called "Child Sponsorship- but not as you know it"





# Get to know me: Translating my Letter

1 Corinthians 14:11 NIV "If then I do not grasp the meaning of what someone is saying, I am a foreigner to the speaker, and the speaker is a foreigner to me."

## My Favorites, in Portuguese

**Birthday:** in Portuguese, you put the day first, then the month and year. So June 25, 2015 would be 25/06/2015

### Food:

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|---------------|-----------------|
| 1. Steak      | 1. Bife         |
| 2. Chicken    | 2. Frango       |
| 3. Pizza      | 3. Pizza        |
| 4. Candy      | 4. Doces        |
| 5. Fruit      | 5. Frutas       |
| 6. Ice cream  | 6. Sorvete      |
| 7. Hamburgers | 7. Hambúrgueres |
| 8. Sushi      | 8. Sushi        |
| 9. Lasagna    | 9. Lasanha      |
| 10. Chocolate | 10. Chocolate   |

### Types of Music:

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|--------------|--------------------|
| 1. Classical | 1. Clássico        |
| 2. Country   | 2. Sertaneja       |
| 3. Dance     | 3. Dança           |
| 4. Hip-hop   | 4. Hip-hop         |
| 5. Jazz      | 5. Jazz/Bossa Nova |
| 6. Pop       | 6. Pop (MPB)       |
| 7. Rock      | 7. Rock            |
| 8. Oldies    | 8. Fado            |
| 9. Rap       | 9. Rap             |
| 10. R&B      | 10. Ritmo e blues  |

**Movie/show:** you will have to use Google translate for this

### Animals:

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|-----------|-----------|
| 1. Monkey | 1. Macaco |
| 2. Lion   | 2. Leão   |

### Colors:

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|-----------|-------------|
| 1. Red    | 1. Vermelho |
| 2. Yellow | 2. Amarelo  |
| 3. Blue   | 3. Azul     |
| 4. White  | 4. Branco   |
| 5. Black  | 5. Preto    |
| 6. Brown  | 6. Marrom   |
| 7. Green  | 7. Verde    |
| 8. Orange | 8. Laranja  |
| 9. Purple | 9. Roxo     |
| 10. Pink  | 10. Rosa    |

### School Subject:

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|----------------------|------------------------|
| 1. Math              | 1. Matemática          |
| 2. Science           | 2. Ciência             |
| 3. English           | 3. Inglês              |
| 4. Geography         | 4. Geografia           |
| 5. History           | 5. História            |
| 6. Art               | 6. Arte                |
| 7. Gym               | 7. Academia            |
| 8. Music             | 8. Música              |
| 9. Dance             | 9. Dança               |
| 10. Foreign Language | 10. Língua Estrangeira |

### About my family:

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|----------------|------------------------|
| 1. Father      | 1. Pai                 |
| 2. Mother      | 2. Mãe                 |
| 3. Brother     | 3. Irmão               |
| 4. Sister      | 4. Irmã                |
| 5. Pet         | 5. Animal de estimação |
| 6. Grandmother | 6. Avó                 |
| 7. Grandfather | 7. Avô                 |
| 8. Aunt        | 8. Tia                 |

## All of the Living Stones kids speak Portuguese:

- Some of the Living Stones kids have learned a little bit of English as a foreign language, but most do not know any English
- Portuguese is the ninth most spoken language in the world, and is the official language in 9 countries (Berlitz.com)
- Portuguese sounds similar to Spanish, but also has a lot in common with French. If you speak Spanish to a Brazilian, they will not understand you as much as you understand them speaking Portuguese
- Portuguese is not an easy language to learn, with lots of verb conjugations and feminine/masculine endings ("Thank you" is Obrigada for girls, Obrigado for boys)

## Questions to talk about:

- Can you imagine a world in another language?
- Have you ever heard someone speaking another language? How did you feel?
- Have you ever been to another country where everything was in a different language? What was it like?
- Have you, or are you learning a language other than English? Why?
- Why do we have so many different languages in the world?
- Have you ever heard Portuguese spoken?
- What are some good reasons to learn another language?

**Something Extra:** At [Worldrenewal.org/sponsor-a-child](http://Worldrenewal.org/sponsor-a-child), there is a download called "Portuguese Packet"

## Pray For:

- People who are trying to learn new languages
- Courage to learn and try new things, even if you don't get it right all the time
- Many of the Living Stones kids who are still learning to read and write in Portuguese
- The Living Stones kids that want to learn English



About my family  
(sobre minha família):



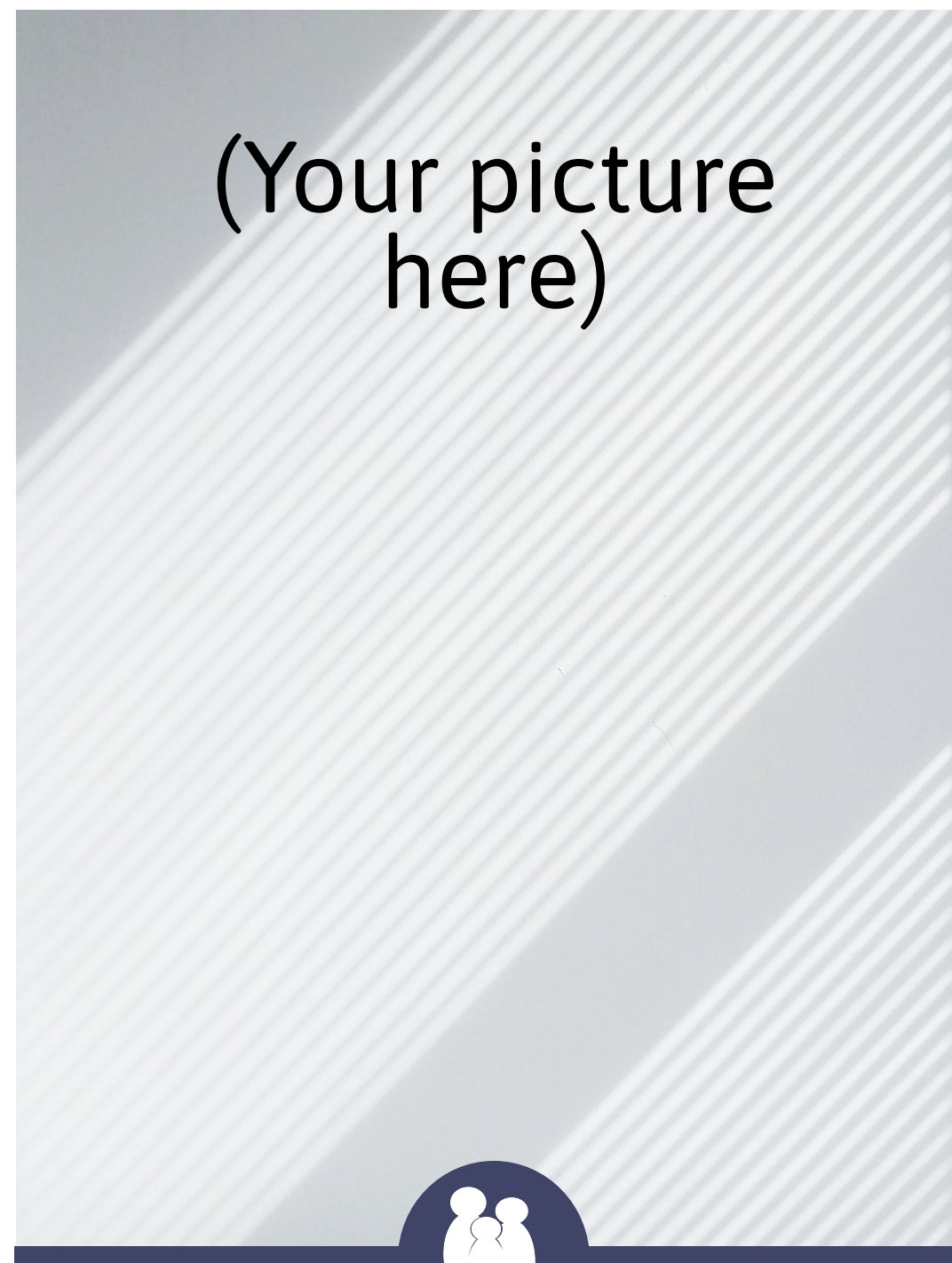
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In Portuguese:



(Your picture  
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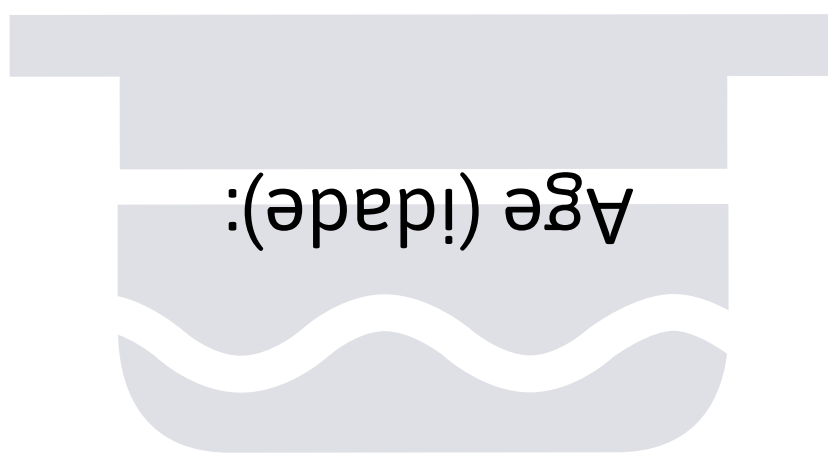
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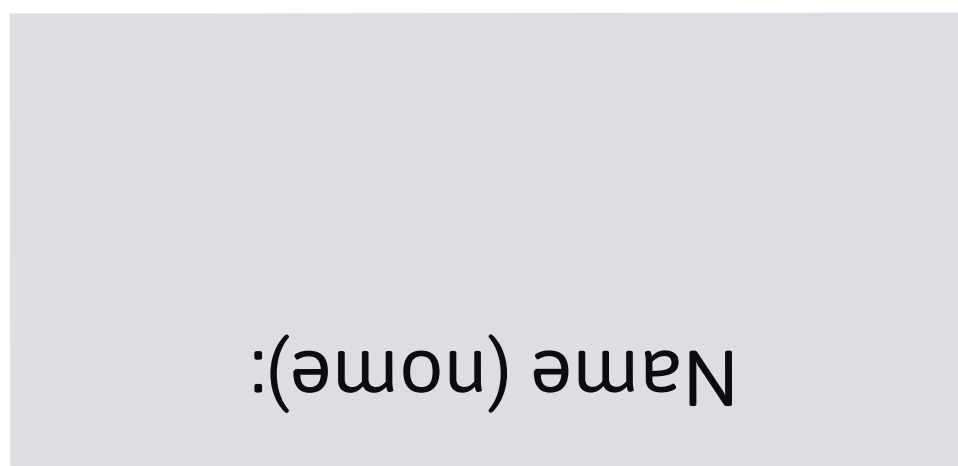


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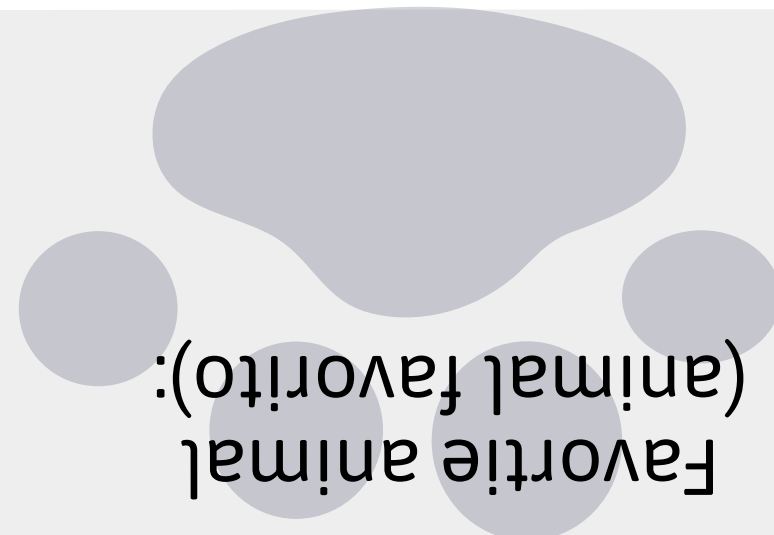


Birth day (Aniversário):

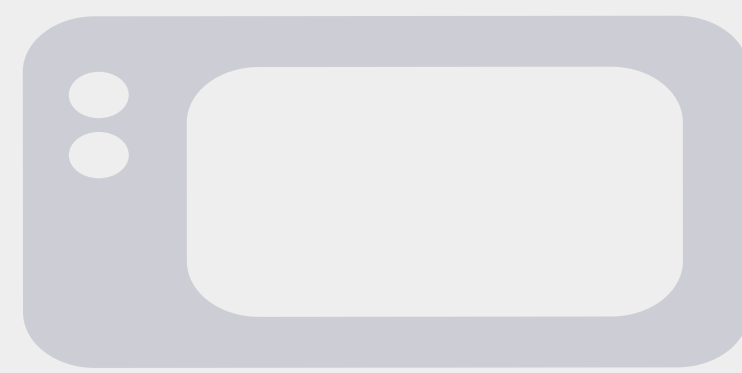
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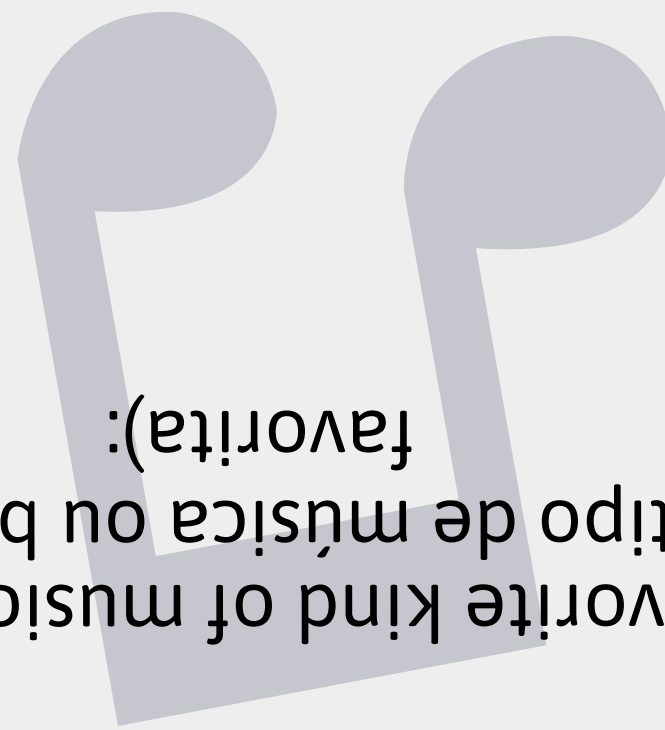
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