

Hey!

Hi, my name is Catrine and I'm 13 years old. My birthday is the 3rd February. I live in Sweden, Norrbotten in Luleå.

I love to be with friends, go shopping with friends, to ski, cuddling with my two cats Mizzy and Martin. And I also like school, because you can meet you're friends and I like to work, hehe.

My family is me, my sister Zandra (15 years old), my mom Kicki (48) years old and my dad Mika (47) years old.

this is my sister and I. I'm the one to the left - with a white

dress, and she to the right is my sister Zandra.



Some funny fact about Sweden:

In our alphabet we have the letters Å Ä Ö. They are the last letters in the alphabet.

We have a tradition that we called midsommar, were we have a midsommarstång, you can see a picture here below so you can know what I mean. And everyone I have asked don't even know why we celebrate it, we just do. And we all dance around it and sing a song that is called "små grodorna" in English it means "little frogs".

We have a dish called palt and surströmming. Palt is a ball of flour, water, salt and potato. And sometimes it's a flesh ball inside of it. And here in Norrbotten it's very popular, we get it in school sometimes, and it's so tasty.



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And then we have "surströmming" and it's a fish that not so many like, it have a very

special taste. I don't know how to explain so you maybe can google it ;)



We celebrate Christmas the 24th December, we get all the presents and eat really good food.

Some questions:

How is school over there? When do you start and when do you leave school?

Here in Luleå we start school 08.00 am and we leave about 14–15 pm. The subjects we have is, Math, Swedish, English, Science, when we paint, P.E., and we have a

subject when we all pupils choose our one subject were we can pick different things like P.E.

Everybody from 7–9 grade (I'm a 7th grade pupil) have their own computer, we write everything we do in our subjects and our homework.

My favorite subject is Math and P.E.

We don't have school uniforms, no school in Sweden have that. So everyone have their own style, and I'm so happy that we don't have that because I wanna wear whatever I wan't.

Can you do something special in your town?

Luleå is rather big, we are about 75.000 habitants.



This is when people around Luleå build a thumb up with only people. It looks so cool.

Here in Luleå there is a lot of shopping, you can go swimming, go skiing, iceskating, go and see Luleå hockey in a arena called coop arena, museums, go on restaurants, go to the beach, and a lot of more stuff.

How is the weather over there? Do you have 4 seasons?

Here in Sweden we have 4 seasons, summer – fall – winter – spring.

We have summer, fall, winter and spring.

Do you have any special dishes that you guys eat?

Do you have school uniforms?

Do you have to take you're lunch from home or do you get food from school like us in Sweden?

Looking forward to your letter,
Catrine