

1. This is Arika. She is 12 years old. She loves reading fantasy books. She is of First Nation descent and lives in the Awabakal nation. Arika had grommets when she was younger and wasn't able to get her ears wet when she went swimming because it used to be really painful. Before she got grommets, she had trouble hearing. She wants to be an actor when she grows up.

2. This is Samir. He likes playing chess and hackysack with his friends. His favourite food is doro wat, an Ethiopian chicken stew. He has two sisters who are older than him. At home they like to make up dances together and film them.

3. This is Li Na 李娜. She is 11 years old. She likes to write and draw her own comic books. She speaks Mandarin at home with her family and English with her friends. She has a black and white guinea pig called Charlie.

4. This is Joseph. He likes hip hop music and break dancing. His favourite food is KFC and **المطبخ اللبناني** (riz ala' dajaj) a Lebanese chicken and rice dish. He likes taking pictures and wants to be a photographer.

5. This is Andy. He lives with his Yai- Yai and Popou. He speaks English and Auslan. On the weekend he visits his mum and they have play time together. He loves to dress up and make over his Barbie dolls. He also plays drums.

6. This is Alon. He plays music for many different people and audiences. He is a very talented musician and is on the Autism spectrum. He has very good hearing that helps him play music. He lives with his father who is a doctor.

7. This is Rokaya. She loves listening to music and knows the words to almost every song. She has many friends and wants to be a Journalist one day. She lives with her friends who are like her family. At her house they have a dog called Henry.

8. This is Kataya. She often feels anxious about school and finds it hard to talk to a lot of people. Sometimes she needs to take breaks from her classroom as she can get overwhelmed. She likes science and is going to be an Engineer.

9. This is Asher. He really likes building trains and reading books. He enjoys spending time with his dogs and visiting the big bookshop in the city. He knows all the Prime Ministers of Australia.

10. This is Kathy. She works as a lawyer in a big office. She loves relaxing and watching movies on the weekend. In her free time she looks after injured animals.

11. This is Ahana. She has a masters degree and works as a web designer at Google. She also has 5 children. Her husband is a stay-at-home dad and looks after their children.

12. This is Hayley. She is 13 years old. Hayley lives at home with both her mums and baby sister. She plays cricket on the weekends and is learning German at school.

13. This is Martin. He loves animals and works as a dog walker. On the weekends he goes camping and relaxes in nature. He sometimes gets upset because he is sensitive to loud noises.

14. Cobie is a ballet dancer. He is 18 years old. He performs with a dance company. He is very proud of his red hair, he likes that it makes him stand out. He loves K-pop music and lives alone in an apartment.

15. This is Seo-yeon (서연). She also has an English name she uses sometimes which is Mia. She loves to play soccer and she is the best goalie in her school. She has a lot of friends and likes to hang out with them after school.

16. This is Lola. Lola is 7 years old. She loves to dance and draw. She loves that every year she is allowed to pick out new fancy glasses that help her see. She is not sure yet what she wants to be when she is older.

17. This is Ibrahim. He loves to write jokes and wants to be a comedian one day. Ibrahim is a wheelchair basketball state champion. He is usually away from home every weekend as he plays in a lot of basketball games. He also plays classical piano.

18. This is Hannah. Hannah likes to study and do her best. She is a doctor in remote Australia. She grew up in a foster care home with lots of other children. She now lives with her wife, Kerrie, and their two cats.

19. This is Bindi. She is a professional football player. Her football team is training for the next Paralympics. She lives with her father and brother. Bindi loves eating fresh fish from her local area.

20. This is Laila. Laila means 'night' in Arabic. She likes playing with her baby brothers and playing games on her phone. On the weekend she goes to Arabic school. She is often in hospital because her kidneys need extra help to work properly.

21. This is Amani and this is her dog named Kali. She recently moved to Australia from Syria with her family. She is happy in Australia but misses her home country and her other family members. She sometimes finds it hard to understand people when they speak very fast but her friends at school are very nice and help her when she needs it.

22. This is Mario. He likes to garden and grow the tastiest tomatoes. He is upset because his husband recently passed away. Luckily he has a very lovely family that is there for him. They have family dinners every Sunday night.

23. This is Yusuf. Yusuf loves cooking and listening to music. Yusuf is celebrating the Eid al-Fitr **عيد الفطر** which marks the end of Ramadan. Yusuf has been spending lots of time with his family during Ramadan. Yusuf also loves to play soccer with his cousins when they see each other.

24. This is Matthew. Matthew is 35 years old. He grew up in New Zealand until he was 15 years old. He lives near the beach and his favourite time of year is New Year's Eve. He is scared of the dark but loves fireworks. Matthew works as a make-up artist.

25. This is William. He likes to sing and used to be a horse riding teacher. He looks after 5 horses at his home and his neighbours use his big backyard as a horse riding ring. He often visits his friends to play chess.

26. This is Ezra. Ezra's favourite movies are Moana and Tangled. He was adopted when he was 3 and has never met his biological parents. He lives with his mum and 2 sisters on a small farm. He loves bike riding and wants to ride all over the world.

27. This is Raquel. She works as a police detective. She loves to stay healthy and runs 8kms every morning. She lives with her daughter and her mother. She sometimes has to take time off work to look after her mother.

28. This is Alinta. She often gets in trouble for speaking too loudly. Her favourite thing to do is to meet up with her friends. Her favourite food to eat is roast chicken. Her favourite fruit is finger limes.

29. This is Sventlana. She loves having a sister but does not like it when people get her confused with Susana. She lives in the city with her mum and grandpa. Svetlana had an accident when she was younger and lost her thumb. Now she can write with both her right and left hand. Her classmates are amazed by her talents.

30. This is Susana. Susana doesn't like to be referred to as a girl. Susana prefers to be called they/them instead of she/her. Susana feels frustrated when people forget. They love spending time with friends and making up songs. Susana wants to be a singer one day.

31. This is Kathy. She has two children who visit her everyday. Kathy used to be a professional baseball player when she was younger and has been teaching baseball ever since. She walks around her neighbourhood feeding the stray animals.

32. This is Aaliyah. Aaliyah travels around the world working as a pilot. Aaliyah loves fishing, but she has to fish on the land because she gets seasick. She likes to see her friends when she is not working. She also loves to sing and go to museums.

33. This is Lachlan. He loves his two dogs more than anything. Lachlan often cannot go to school because he is too sick. He is waiting to get new lungs. When he is at home he likes to watch TV and tries to complete his homework.

34. This is Jonathon. He is 20 years old. He has two jobs as he is saving his money to buy a new jet ski. He is often tired because he stays up all night to look after his little sister. He writes short stories in his spare time.

35. This is Robson. He goes to exercises 6 times a week. Every year he travels back to São Paulo in Brazil to visit his grandparents. Two years ago he had a motorbike accident and lost his foot. He works as a teacher in a primary school.

36. This is Ananya. She works for a big supermarket company. Her husband stays at home with their two dogs. On the weekends they go to church and then visit their daughter who passed away two years ago.

37. This is Greg. He works for the government. He has 2 daughters and 1 son. He loves surfing and wishes he could live closer to the beach. He is planning a beach family holiday at the end of the school year.

38. This is Muhammad. Muhammad loves to swim at the local pool. He lives with his Dad in an apartment and they read a lot of books together. Muhammad likes playing Minecraft.

39. This is Joshua. He is 25 years old. He has a bachelors degree and he is a very good painter and drawer. He loves spaghetti bolognese and garlic bread. He has a dog named Lilly and she is his best friend.

40. This is Ranjit. Every morning he feeds the birds on his back deck before he eats his own breakfast. Ranjit is studying at university and working a part time job. He has an insulin pump under his shirt to control his diabetes.

41. This is Maisie. She speaks both English and Filipino. She was born in the Philippines but has lived in Australia since she was 1. She gets annoyed when she has to go to bed because she loves staying up and playing with her big sisters. She is allergic to kiwi fruits and bananas.

42. This is Emily. Emily loves to play music and has a lot of instruments. She has Celiac Disease which means she can't eat gluten. If she does she gets very sick and has to go to hospital. She likes to go to the beach and is learning Swedish in her free time.

43. This is Ellie. Ellie has blonde hair and blue eyes. When she was young Ellie was burnt on her arm and now has a big scar. She thinks her scar is beautiful. She loves the colour yellow and likes going to the beach. She does not live with her mum or dad. She also loves dogs.

44. This is Skye. Skye grew up on a small island. She now lives in the big city where she works as a scientist, and volunteers every weekend. She has trouble spelling sometimes. She loves ice cream and her favourite flavour is peanut butter.

45. This is Shayne. Shayne lives on a huge farm with lots of open spaces, sheep and not many trees. Lately there hasn't been enough rain and the sheep have to be fed by her Dad. She loves playing with dogs when they are puppies, and would love to learn to ride a horse.

46. This is Maaya. Maaya's favorite colour is green. She is a nature lover. She wears glasses for reading and playing on the computer. Maaya is vegetarian and her favourite food is pizza. Her father was born in Indonesia and moved here when he was 5.

47. This is Mel. She has blonde curly hair and green eyes. She cares for her mum and dad and goes to school. She loves to spend time outside with her family, playing in the garden and chasing her dog around the backyard.

48. This is Seanna. Seanna is 6 years old and loves exploring nature to find earth's treasures like different types of rocks, bugs, spiders, shells. She finds it hard to understand why people don't look after the earth and animals better.

49. This is Lincoln. Lincoln likes riding his bike around his big farmhouse. He loves reading Harry Potter books.

Lincoln has asthma and needs a puffer to help him breathe properly sometimes.

50. This is Daniel. Daniel loves soccer. He really wants to join a team this year. Both his sisters are very good soccer players and the whole family plays on the weekends. He is also allergic to peanuts. If he is near them he suffers from anaphylaxis and has to have an EpiPen to help him breathe.

