

What are their New Year's resolutions?

Here are four people talking about themselves and their New Year's resolutions. Read, and complete the exercises.

Hi, I'm Jose. I'm fifteen. I'm from Spain and I live in Madrid. I have one brother, but no sisters. I have loads of interests, but my favourite is horse riding. I compete at show jumping events and have been doing really well recently! My resolution for 2021 is to improve my performance, so I resolve to take my horse Minty out every day, for at least an hour's practice. I also resolve to save up enough money to buy a new saddle.

Hello, I'm Philip. I'm thirteen. I'm from York, in the north of England. I've got three sisters and a brother. I love PE and I'm pretty good at it, particularly football. I play a lot, in the park near my home. I would love to be in the school team, but I haven't been selected so far. My resolution for next year is to get onto the school team! I resolve to get fit, eat a healthy diet and play football every day. I hope the manager notices me and selects me.

Hi there, I'm Julia. I'm fourteen and I'm from Wales in the UK. I am an only child. I am really good at English and I love reading and creative writing. In 2020, I wrote a number of articles and three were chosen for the school magazine. I want to be a writer, but if I am not good enough, I would like to be a teacher. For 2021, my resolution is to enter as many writing competitions as I can. Oh, and to write some poetry. I love poetry.

Hi, I'm Renata. I'm a shy seventeen-year-old student from Poland. I have one brother and one sister. I love singing. I am a member of a choir and I love that. However, because of Covid, we have to do our choir practice online, via zoom. It's OK and we have made it work, but it's not the same as meeting up. It's difficult making a resolution in these Covid times, because I don't feel in control. I guess I will just resolve to be happy, helpful and a bit more self-confident!

Name	Age	Nationality	Family	Hobbies	New Year's resolution/s.
Jose					
Philip					
Julia					
Renata					

Write the name on the line:

- _____ wants to be noticed and chosen.
- _____ would enjoy Keats and Shelley.
- _____ has done online singing.
- _____ might become a teacher.
- _____ wants to buy equipment.
- _____ really loves sport.
- _____ feels strongly affected by Covid.
- _____ has had articles published.
- _____ plays outdoors a lot.
- _____ competes against others.
- _____ is an avid reader.
- _____ makes a resolution to do with lifestyle.
- _____ is the youngest of the four.
- _____ is the oldest of the four.
- _____ is a college student.

Here is a list of **POPULAR RESOLUTIONS**. How do they relate to you? 1 = I must do that. 2 = I should do that. 3 = Maybe that would help me. 4 = I wouldn't really want to do that. 5 = That doesn't relate/apply to me at all.

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| a. ___ Be kinder to my family | d. ___ Give up smoking | g. ___ Do more recycling |
| b. ___ Do more exercise | e. ___ Keep my room/house tidy | h. ___ Be more self-confident |
| c. ___ Eat more healthily | f. ___ Do more studying | i. ___ Be a better friend |

Happy New Year!