

Malay Transcript:

Nama saya Soraya; saya berumur dua puluh satu tahun. Saya tinggal di Bandar Utama, di kawasan Petaling Jaya, dengan ibu bapa saya serta seorang adik lelaki. Saya belajar di New York Universiti; saya belajar Sastera Inggeris serta Pengarangan dan Bahasa Perancis. Kampus saya terletak di Manhattan, di kawasan Greenwich Village, dan saya seorang pelajar sepenuh masa. Saya tiada masa untuk kerja, tapi¹ saya ingin mendapat pekerjaan di perpustakaan bila saya balik ke universiti.

Hobi-hobi saya termasuk membaca. Saya juga suka mendengar muzik, tengok filem dan mengembara, bukan sahaja ke negara lain tapi juga di sekeliling kawasan saya.

English Translation:

My name is Soraya; I am 21 years old. I live in Bandar Utama, in the Petaling Jaya area, with my parents and a younger brother. I study at New York University; I am studying English Literature and Composition and French. My campus is located in Manhattan, in the Greenwich Village area, and I am a full-time student. I didn't have time to work [in the past], but I want to get a job at the library when I go back to university.

My hobbies include reading. I also like to listen to music, watch films and travel, not only to other countries but also around my area.

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