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Preparing for a year in Peru – Emma Monthuley

Emma Hello. I am Emma Monthuley I am sixteen years old and I'm in première S in Rostrenen. I'm going to Peru for one year. When I was in seconde, my school proposed us the project of the trip of one year, and I wasn't sure. I'd like, I liked the idea, but I wasn't sure; for me it was ... I thought it was very long and I didn't really like the, the time -- the durée

Rob. The length of time? Yeah.

Emma. Yeah. And this year I was very positive. I wanted to go. I had a trip in Czech Republic, and I wanted to travel more.

Rob. And it's a great opportunity.

Emma Yeah.

Rob. Will you be speaking Spanish?

Emma Yes.

Rob. You speak Spanish and English?

Emma Yeah, a little bit in Spanish.

Rob. A year is a long time. What, what are you going to do there?

Emma I'm going to live with three families, one family for three months, and, um, I'm going to go to school, Peruvian school, and we are going to have bus trips with other exchange students, so we, we are going to visit famous places in Peru.

Rob Such as?

Emma Machu Picchu, for example.

Rob. Of course, you must go there.

Emma Yeah.

Rob. So there are other students going with you?

Emma Yes, for all over the world.

Rob. Are there other people from Brittany going?

Emma No, I am the first. I'm the only girl from Brittany, and I don't know ... I am the only one.

Rob. Who organised the trip?

Emma It's the Rotary Club. It's a, yeah., it's a club in ... all over the world, and there are clubs everywhere. I'm in the club of Carhaix-Rostrenen.

Rob. They helped you buying the tickets, or ...

Emma ... organise the project with all the papers and permissions.

Rob. Because it's complicated.

Emma Yeah, very complicated. There are a lot of people with papers.

Rob. So, what do you know about Peru?

Emma I'm going to live in Lima. It's the capital, capital, yeah, of Peru. There are 8 millions of inhabitants. What else can I do, can I say?

Rob. Have you done any research, or ...

Emma Oh, yeah, I know some ... it's a country with mountains, and I don't really know ... I'll discover it.

Rob. So, are there Peruvian students coming here?

Emma Yes, yes yes.

Rob. To ...

Emma There is one Peruvian in the district of Carhaix-Rostrenen, in the district of Brittany and Mayenne.

Rob. You're just about to go, how does it feel right now?

Emma I'm really impatient. Yeah, I really want to arrive in Lima and meet everyone and everybody from Peru, discover the city. It will be a very big changement for me.

Rob. And you're looking forward to it.

Emma Yeah.

Rob. And will you come home in the year?

Emma. I'll go home in June.

Rob. So, when you come back, do you have to show something to Rotary?

Emma Yeah, they want me to, to give them some news from me, to, to know what I'm doing every month, and they want me to, to show them some pictures or things I have brought from Peru.

Rob. Emma Monthuley, thank you very much, and we look forward to hearing from you when you get back.

Emma OK. No problem