

## Setting Guidelines with your Host Family

1. What do I call you? Mum, Dad or Christian name.
2. What am I expected to do daily or other than -
  - a. Make my bed
  - b. Keep my room tidy at all times
  - c. Clean the bathroom after I use it
3. What is the procedure about dirty clothes? Where do you keep them till wash day?
4. Should I wash my own underclothes?
5. What is the procedure about ironing clothes?
6. May I use the iron, washing machine, sewing machine, etc?
7. Where can I keep my bathroom toilet accessories?
8. May I use the family's bathroom toiletries (soap, toothpaste) or should I purchase my own?
9. When is the best time for me to bath, AM or PM? Is there a time limit? Should I be careful with how much water I use? (eg tank water)
10. What time are meals?
11. Do I have a permanent job at meal times?  
Lay the table, Clear the table, Wash up,  
Dry up, Empty the rubbish bin etc.
12. May I help myself to food and drink (non-alcoholic) at any time, or must I ask first? (Promise to do this in moderation if acceptable)
13. What areas are strictly private?  
(bar, study, sewing room, pantry, parents bedroom etc.)
14. May I put pictures and posters (etc) in my bedroom?
15. What are your feelings about me drinking alcohol?
16. What time must I get up in the morning?
17. What time must I be in at night if I go out?
18. Can I have friends stay the night?
19. Can I invite friends around in the day?
20. What are the rules about phone calls? Local, trunk, overseas? May I call my friends? May my friends call me?
21. What is the procedure about posting letters?
22. What date are the birthdays of host Mum, Dad, Brothers, Sisters?
23. Does host Dad have any pet dislikes or hates?  
Wearing curlers at the table, Chewing gum, Music, Smoking, Being interrupted when reading?
24. Does host Mum have any pet dislikes or hates?
25. How do I get around (transport)?
26. May I use the hi-fi/television/computer? Are there any restrictions?
27. What are the rules about going to church?
28. What arrangements should I make for school lunch?
29. Do you expect me to phone if I am going to be late? When?

***“Nothing in Australia is any better, nor is it any worse, than in other countries - but it is different - and it is this difference that makes the exchange interesting and exciting.”***