Communication is important.
You have to speak English.
But you don’t have to speak perfect English.
You’re a member of the family.
You have to help with the housework.

Mrs. Baker: Shin, did you make your bed?
Shin: Make my bed?
Mrs. Baker: Yes. We all have to make our own beds.
Shin: OK. But I don’t know how.
Mrs. Baker: Really? All right. I’ll show you.

Nana
Everyone in my host family is nice to me. But my host mother always gives me too much food. Do I have to eat everything? It’s too much for me.

Teacher’s answer
You must tell your host mother. Say, “I’m sorry. It’s very good, but I can’t eat that much.” She’ll understand.

Carlo
I’m sad. My host family is so busy. They don’t take me anywhere. Nana’s host family always takes her to interesting places.

Teacher’s answer
Carlo, you mustn’t compare host families. You can find interesting things around your home. Look around and make some friends.

Mike’s father: Hello?
Emi: Hello. This is Emi. Is this Mr. Davis?
Mike’s father: Yes, it is.
Emi: May I speak to Mike, please?
Mike’s father: Sure. Just a minute.
Mike: Hi, Emi! What’s up?
Emi: I’m going to Shin’s to play video games. Why don’t you come?
Mike: OK. See you there.
Emi: OK. Bye.

Mike,
Kumi broke her arm!
She’s in the hospital.
Let’s visit her if you have time.
If you can go with me to the hospital, please call me.
Yuka

Mike: Did you hear about Kumi?
Emi: Yes. A bike fell on her near the station.
Mike: Right. Poor Kumi broke her arm.
Emi: Too many people park their bikes there.
Mike: I think we need another parking area.
Emi: I think so, too.