***Dear Mum and Dad!***

*I hope you are well. The last weeks before Christmas are always very stressful - and I just remembered that I haven't written to you for such a long time.*

*Time is racing at an incredible pace. The New Year's Eve hangover has just been beaten, the Easter eggs eaten, the holiday tan faded and the autumn blues overcome- and it's Christmas again. Madness!*

*Unfortunately, we won't see each other for Christmas this year. That's a shame, but I'm confident we'll make it in [The upcoming year]. Then I'll be looking forward to peace and socialising, coffee and biscuits, turkey and dumplings, and especially to you.*

*I wish you a merry, healthy and cosy Christmas and a happy New Year.*

*See you soon and best wishes*

*Yours [Your first name]*