



# International Student Exchange

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**Name:** Camioa Ortiz

**Sex:** Female

**Age:** 15

**Country of Residence:** Brazil

**Last Grade Completed:** 9th

**Interests:** Horses, Writing, Surfing



## Personal Background

Camila lives near the beach. She has 1 brother and loves to horseback ride when she gets the chance. She surfs early in the mornings before school. Camila is a B student.

Her father works for the government while her mother is a private tutor. Her brother is only 9. Camila wants to be a journalist some day.

## Host Family History

Camila was placed in Texas. She was lucky enough to be placed with the Jackson family, that happens to own a few horses. The Jackson family has 3 girls, Carolyn, Cyndi and Cristy. Camila fit right in with her name starting with a C.

Mary Jackson, the mother, works for a major corporation. The father Tom, passed a couple of years ago. Two of the girls are in college, but live locally. The youngest daughter is in 11th grade.

The Jackson family has been hosting for 3 years.



## Experiences

Camila instantly bonded with her sisters. Since she always had a younger brother, she never had somebody to hang out with at home. Cristy introduced her to many friends at school. Camila enhanced her english skills so much, she started writing for the school paper.

Camila enjoyed the holidays the most. Since her host sisters went to college close by, she was able to see them a lot. During the holidays, the extended Jackson family came to visit. There were over 30 people in the house at once. Camila was a little intimidated at first with that many people. By the time Easter came, she felt very comfortable with everyone. She really felt part of the family.

Camila lives in Brazil with her family. She started to write a lot more and still sends her short stories to the Jackson family to read. She thinks her time in the US really helped her persue her dream of writing

