

Rotary Youth Exchange **Second Day** Questions

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These questions might be answered by your host family, however, these are better for your hosting Rotary volunteers including your club counselor and club youth exchange officer (YEO).

About the Counselor/YEO

1. Who is my club counselor? (ask to your Rotary Club if you have not been introduced to them)
2. Could you share a bit about yourself and your family?
3. Can you provide some background on your Rotary Club history?
4. What distinguishes the roles of a YEO and a counselor?
5. How long has your club been actively involved in Rotary Youth Exchange?

Emergency

1. What is your contact information?
2. What is the best way to contact you? WhatsApp, Line, Messenger, phone, or something else?
3. Who serves as my emergency contact?
4. How do I request emergency assistance?
5. In the absence of my YEO/Counselor, who are my alternative contacts?
6. Are there specific types of law enforcement available for assistance?
Is there is an emergency, how do I contact the police? Are there multiple types of police?
7. Where should I report any bullying or abuse happening at school?

Club Policy

1. Am I expected to attend all Rotary meetings? Am I invited to all Rotary meetings?
2. How frequently should I participate in Rotary meetings?
3. When and where does the Rotary Club usually meet?
4. Can I attend Rotary meetings alone, or should I go with someone?
5. Is it possible for me to be the greeter at the Club during my initial Rotary meetings?
6. Am I permitted/encouraged to actively participate in Rotary meetings?

7. Am I allowed/expected to talk when I attend Rotary meetings?
8. When can I schedule my presentation about my home country at the Rotary Club?
9. Are there additional Rotary clubs in the local area?
10. Can I attend meetings at other Rotary clubs in town?
11. Whom should I contact if I wish to attend another Rotary Club meeting?
12. What is the appropriate dress code for Rotary meetings? Casual, smart, or blazer?
13. Are there specific events where wearing a blazer is recommended?
14. Are there any Rotary-affiliated groups for young individuals in town?
15. Can I join these groups, and who can introduce me to them?
16. What are the various projects organized by our Rotary Club, and when are they conducted?
17. What are the various projects organized by our Rotary Club, and when are they, and how do I get involved?
18. Am I allowed to earn spending money?
19. When are the mandatory orientation weekends or meetings that I must attend? How do I get there?

Money/Allowance

1. How and when will I receive my monthly allowance from the Rotary Club?
2. What is the amount of my monthly allowance?
3. Who should I give the money for my emergency fund to, and when and how should I give it?
4. Which expenses will the Rotary Club cover for me, such as school transportation, activities, hobbies, school programs, or books?
5. Should I open a local bank account, and are there associated fees with ATM withdrawals?
6. Are there recommended banks for managing finances?

School

1. Who will guide me to school on the first day and introduce me to the principal and school staff?
2. Are there language tests I need to pass to remain here?
3. Are passing grades in school a requirement for my stay?
4. Who can excuse me if I miss school for a Rotary event or meeting?

Host Families

1. Will I have more than one host family during my stay?
2. Do you know all of my host families?
3. When can I meet them?
4. Whom should I contact if I encounter issues with my host family?

5. What is the best way to contact them?

Home

1. Do you use recycling and compost or separate garbage?
2. If there is a fireplace, pool, hot tub, or sauna: can I use them when I want or should I ask for permission first?
3. Can I change the thermostat or turn on the air conditioner if I am cold or hot?
4. Can I share the wifi password with guests when they come over?
5. Can I use the bathroom fan for ventilation?
6. Do you have a First Aid Kit in the house? If so, where is it? Can I use it as needed or do I need to ask you first?
7. Am I allowed to help myself to household/over-the-counter medication like ibuprofen or do I need to ask?

Getting Around

1. What is the Club's policy on my local travel?
2. Can I travel to nearby towns?
3. How far am I allowed to travel independently?
4. How does public transportation, such as buses, subways, and trains, operate?
5. Can I travel alone by train or bus?
6. Are there any restrictions on who I can travel with if I am going outside my city?
7. What is the most convenient way to navigate the city without relying on my host parents for transportation?
8. Will vehicles stop for pedestrians wanting to cross the road?
9. What are the social norms in the city?
10. Where is the best place to shop for clothes, souvenirs, or gifts?
11. What areas are recommended for socializing and meeting people of my age group?
12. Are there any locations in the city that should be avoided for safety reasons?