

## Mary and Max



### Before you watch

1. Look at the picture. Have you ever seen this movie? If not, what do you think it is about?
2. The movie tells the story of two pen pals. What is a pen pal?
3. Look at the pictures of Mary and Max. What do you think they could have in common?

### While you watch

1. Watch the first excerpt of the movie and complete some of the parts of Mary's letter:

*Dear Mr. M. Horowitz.*

*My name is Mary Daisy Dinkle. I am \_\_\_\_\_ years old, three \_\_\_\_\_ and nine days.*

*My favorite color is \_\_\_\_\_ and my favorite food is sweetened condensed milk, followed closely by \_\_\_\_\_.*

*I have a rooster named Ethel and he looks like this. He doesn't lay \_\_\_\_\_, but he will someday.*

*My mother likes \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_, and my father likes \_\_\_\_\_ in the shed with dead \_\_\_\_\_.*

*Where do babies \_\_\_\_\_ in America? Do they come from cola cans? In Australia, they are found in \_\_\_\_\_ glasses.*



2. Do you think Max is going to answer Mary's letter? What do you think he is going say? What question do you think he will ask her?

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3. Watch the second excerpt of the movie and complete some of the parts of Max's letter:

*Dear Mary Daisy Dinkle,  
\_\_\_\_\_ for your letter which I \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ at 9:17 p.m.  
after my overeaters anonymous class.  
Your drawing is an \_\_\_\_\_ portrayal of yourself. I have never \_\_\_\_\_  
anyone from Australia.  
Firstly, I will answer your \_\_\_\_\_. Unfortunately, in America, \_\_\_\_\_ are not  
found in cola cans. I asked my mother when I was four years old, and she said they  
come from \_\_\_\_\_ laid by rabies.  
I share my home with a \_\_\_\_\_, some \_\_\_\_\_, a parakeet, called Mr. Biscuit,  
and finally a cat named Hal.  
Do you have a pet \_\_\_\_\_?  
Do you like \_\_\_\_\_? I invented the recipe and  
can send it to you.  
I am \_\_\_\_\_ years old and have \_\_\_\_\_ track suits of the same  
\_\_\_\_\_ and size.  
I've had many different jobs in my life.*

**After you watch**

4. Do you think Mary and Max have anything in common?

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5. Do you have a friend who is very different from you? What are your main differences? Tell your class about him/ her.