## **ORIGINAL:**

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I'm looking forward to hearing from you soon.

## **EDITED:**

The educational exchange I went on was unforgettable. I made many new friends and I keep in constant touch with them.

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What a fantastic exchange, don't you think<sup>11</sup>? I hope you can attend my lecture. As the saying goes: travelling ten thousand miles is better than reading ten thousand books. The lecture will be from<sup>12</sup> 2pm to 3:30pm, next Monday in the hall<sup>13</sup>.

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- 1. "The educational exchange is unforgettable." If this a general, not specific statement, I would say, "An educational exchange can be unforgettable." or "An educational exchange is an unforgettable experience."
  - If it's a statement about this particular exchange, you could use the sentence I wrote above, or "My educational exchange was an unforgettable experience."
- 2. "Often keep in touch" sounds awkward because "keeping in touch" is a constant state (even if it's only one letter per year). You could say, "we often exchange letters and telephone calls".
- 3. In any kind of formal or semi-formal writing, spell out numbers under 10. (one-nine) Also I combined these two sentences in a way that would more common than using two sentences.
- 4. You've already introduced the family where you stayed, now you can call them "my" host family.

- 5. You can't say "many food" You could say "many kinds of food" or "many meals".
- 6. Why "of course"? I don't think weekend picnics are obvious.
- 7. "at weekends" might be very British and therefore appropriate for someone who went to the UK to study. In N.A. English (and Australia) we'd say "on weekends". I'm not sure about on/at weekdays.
- 8. "On weekdays" already implies "always". It's a daily thing.
- 9. It sounds funny to say a lot of kinds of classmates. It makes you wonder what kinds there are. It's better just to say I met many (of their) classmates.
- 10. Your sentence works grammatically, but the feeling is a little wrong. It sounds like you didn't really want to make friends except you had to because they were so friendly.
- 11. You could make this sentence a bit more grammatically complete by saying "What a fantastic exchange it was, don't you think?" But it works without the verb. But leave off the "so" at the end. It sounds unnatural.
- 12. Since you are giving the beginning and ending times, use "from" instead of "begin at".
- 13. I don't know if the idea is introduced elsewhere, but this the first time a lecture is mentioned in this essay. So for me it's a bit confusing: What lecture? Who's lecture?