

To the Student

Dear Student:

Please let me introduce you to 13 of my students. You will read their stories in this textbook. The students are listed in the order their stories appear:

- **Benito Sanchez** is from Venezuela. He is married with two children. He studies business administration.
- **Ana Oprisan** is from Romania. She is also married with two children. She studies physics.
- **Frank Forke** comes from Germany. He is in the United States to study classical guitar. He also plays Latin and flamenco music.
- **Mesaynish Wodajo** emigrated to the United States as a young girl with her family. She comes from Ethiopia. She wants to be a pharmacist.
- **Young Kim** comes from South Korea. She is married with two children. She works in an office.
- **Eleomarques Ferreira Rocha** is from Brazil. He likes to be called Leo. He wants to be an English teacher back in Brazil one day.
- **Luke Fiedorowicz** is from Poland. He came to the U.S. to study psychology.
- **Endy Widjaja** comes from Indonesia. He lives with an uncle in the U.S. He wants to work in hotel management.
- **Martin Urbach** is from Bolivia. He is a drummer. He hopes to live in the U.S. and work as a professional musician.
- **Mai Nguyen** was born in the U.S. Her parents emigrated to the U.S. in 1975. She works as a hairstylist.
- **Ibrahim Aboumador** was also born in the U.S. His parents emigrated to the U.S. from Egypt. He has finished high school. He is helping with the family business, a used car lot.
- **Yixin Young** comes from China. She is married to a Chinese-American and wants to improve her English. She worked as an accountant in China.
- **Shahzad Arain** emigrated to the U.S. from Pakistan. He lives with his parents. He studies computer science.

They are interesting people. Like you, they are working hard to improve their English. Enjoy their stories. I hope they give you good ideas for your own writing.

Sincerely,
Jan Fluitt-Dupuy