

Thanking and Inviting/ Informal

Last month you had a holiday overseas where you stayed with some friends. They have just sent you some photos of your holiday.

Write a letter to your friends. In your letter:

- thank them for the photos and for the holiday
- explain why you didn't write earlier
- invite them to come and stay with you

Dear Ajay and Neha,

I hope you and your family are all well. It was great a pleasure to see you again last summer. We had a great time catching up with each other several years. **However, I am writing this to thank** you so much for your kind letter and the lovely photos of our holiday in Mumbai. Sorry for the delay in acknowledging your mail, but your package arrived just as I was about to leave town on a business trip. I've just returned to Delhi today.

No doubt, looking at the photos brings back so many happy memories of the times we spent together and the wonderful hospitality you both extended to me. I felt completely pampered by both of you! I cannot forget that you surrounded me with warm friends, good food, amazing sights, great shopping, unforgettable cultural events and laughter-filled evenings. I would have been lost without you.

These good memories gave me an idea. I know you've always wanted to visit Delhi. Why don't you plan a holiday and stay with me this summer? The weather is great at that time of year, all tourist sites are open and I could take two weeks off from work.

Thank you both again for the beautiful holiday and the photos which are already up on my wall. Now, I'm looking forward to hearing from you.

Warm wishes,
Gurpal