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Dear Stephanie

My name is Alexandra Doust and I am 12 years old. I am currently in year 7. We were asked to write a letter to someone in Australia. I chose to write to you because I admire you very much. I am in the Harvey Swimming Club and I have been swimming for 8 years. My favourite strokes are freestyle and butterfly.

Was it scary when you went to the Beijing Olympics in 2008? It was so exciting watching you along with other Australian swimmers. One day I would like to swim for Australia at the Olympics. Maybe I will be in a relay team with you and finally get to meet you and get your autograph! How many medals have you won throughout your whole swimming career? I try and get to as many competitions around the region as possible. I've got about 35 medals and I used to hold a record for eight year old 50m Freestyle, but I still hold a record for eight year old 50m Backstroke. In 2006 my family and I went to Melbourne for the Commonwealth Games. We went to watch swimming, which was so cool and exciting! A lot of Australian swimmers won medals including yourself! You're a great swimmer and I admire you very much.

Thank-you for taking your time and reading my letter. I hope you can write back. Keep swimming!

Yours sincerely
A. Doust