

My name is Daniel. Julia is my sister. Julia and I are getting ready for Barcelona, Spain.

We're going to be exchange students this term. My parents always help us to reach our goals. They

both speak Spanish well. It helps Julia and I practice.

My dad comes in my room. 'Daniel! Why aren't you dressed?' Dad asks. 'Dressed? I

had a shower five minutes ago. I'm not even dry yet!' 'Come on! We don't have much time. I want

to take you to the airport, but I have to go to work, too.' 'Don't worry, Dad. I'm getting dressed

now.' 'Where's your sister?' 'She's in her room.'

My dad goes into my sister's room. 'Oh, hi, Dad. Do you need something?' asks Julia.

'Yes. Here you are.' My dad gives Julia much money. 'I want you to both have this.' 'Dad! There's

a lot of money here!' Julia is surprised. 'Your mum and I want to pay for part of your trip to Spain.'

'Thanks, Dad!' 'It will be very useful. I'm going to tell Daniel!' says my sister. She and Dad didn't

notice that I was coming in. My dad sees me. 'Oh, Daniel, you're here! And you're dressed! Great!'

My dad points to the money. 'That money is for the two of you.' 'Thanks, Dad. It'll be really

helpful,' I reply. 'Now we must get ready. We have to leave for the airport! Come on!'

We head for the airport in Mum's car. At the airport there are lots of people checking in.

'Are you relaxed now?' I ask Julia. 'Yes, Daniel. I'm really looking forward to learning Spanish in

Barcelona!' 'Yes, I know. Everything's going to be fine. My friend Armando often helps exchange

students like us.' Our parents hug us warmly. 'We love you both!' they call. An hour later, our

plane takes off. We are headed for Barcelona!

Word List

- get ready / 準備する
- exchange students / 交換留学生
- term / 学期
- reach our goals / 目標に到達する (達成する)
- dress / 着替える、服を着る
- point / 指さす
- leave for / (～に向けて) 出発する
- head for / ～に向かう
- check in / チェックインする
- take off / 離陸する

Important Expressions (Vは動詞、Oは目的語を表します!)

- help O to V

My parents always help us to reach our goals.

- help O V

It helps Julia and I practice.

- help O

My friend Armando often helps exchange students like us.

- look forward to Ving

I'm really looking forward to learning Spanish in Barcelona!