

Pen Sketch *(Please write an essay about yourself i.e., describing your childhood, progressing towards your adult life in a few words, including some memorable events if you've had):*

I was born and spent the first six years of my life in rural [REDACTED], where I vividly remember lots of time spent at the seaside and days out with my older brother and cousins. Back then it felt as if there was a lot more snow in winter time and it was often a competition amongst us as to who could build to bigger snowman.

My family and I then moved to the west coast of the US and for the following seven years we had an amazing experience of living in a diverse and international community of other expats, amongst the locals too, and I attended an international school where I was lucky from an early age to interact with a broad range of other children from different backgrounds. My brother and I would often spend summers back in the UK with my grandparents and this where I grew a passion for aviation.

Coming back to the UK in my early teens I finished off my GCSE's and A-levels [REDACTED], going onto university where I studied Aeronautical Engineering. Whilst at Uni I took full advantage of all the social outlets on offer and was a keen athletics and rugby participant. I was lucky to do a placement year in London, living with some fellow placement students [REDACTED] we had a great year of exploring the city and I made some great friendships that are still part of my social life today.

After university I've mostly worked within the life sciences sector, various marketing and strategy roles including time living in New York and Switzerland and continue to climb the career ladder as I gain more experience.

My social life is very important to me; I co-run a few social groups [REDACTED] focussed on cooking and fitness. I can often be found trying out whatever the latest fitness class is and spending time with friends. I very much enjoy reading, theatre and travelling as much as I can with Asia being a favourite.

Goodwill Message for recipients using your donations:

I really hope that I am able to help you and your dreams come true, and that by starting or expanding your family I help you continue on lifes joumey. I am often reminded of the phrase 'nothing worth having comes easy'; this is a big undertaking but I believe the determination and passion you'll have demonstrated to get this far is proof enough that you're ready and will be great parents. I wish you all the best.

Goodwill Message for children born from your donations:

Hi, I imagine if you are reading this then you have recently turned 18 (congratulations, I hope it was a good bash!) and may be considering getting in touch with the person that donated sperm to your parents years ago. I hope your life has so far been amazing and everything you could possibly imagine. I am writing this almost 19 years ago, but it was a great feeling to know that I could help your parents achieve what they wanted most, you. They have gone to great lengths and shown courage in order to provide you the best start in life. If I'm to impart some advice on my experience of life thus far its to not worry too much about the small things, take time to look after yourself, and remember that you are loved.