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Dear Véronique, Hervé and Mathilde,

I hope the Hamsa I left with you from Morocco has kept your family safe. I wonder how Paul's wedding went, Mathilde's first year exams for medical school, Hervé's business trip, and Véronique's show. I've found it difficult to transition back to life in America after being in Lyon for so long. At first, I couldn't keep up with the fast-paced environment of Los Angeles and Dartmouth. Life with you all allowed me to spend time thinking and reflect on each day. I started journaling now and have written a few pages about how much I miss you three. I'll be back some day.

Whenever I have time, I find myself looking through old pictures of Lyon and re-living the moments I had there, like the time we went to the props and miniature museum that one day, or the Korean restaurant I brought you all to, or the time we watched the *Pentagon Papers* at the theaters. I can't even begin to tell you the number of times I've mentioned you, my host family, as a reason I loved Lyon so much.

I wish I could have experienced Spring in Lyon. The trees are beautiful this time of year at Dartmouth. I've been hoping to invite you all to come visit me here. I know Hanover is a bit out of the way from everything, but New York and Boston are only a few hours away! Please write back and let me know how you all are doing. I miss my second home, Lyon. I wish you health and safety, ma famille.

Sincerely,

Brandon