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Hodayot, Israel

**I was born in Israel and my family made Aliyah from Russia. This is my first year at Hodayot. I came here to learn new things—and have opportunities at school that I didn't have at home.**

Before I came to Hodayot, I attended a number of other schools. I had bad experiences at all of them. Since I have been here, I have met many new friends. I feel better studying and living here.

The way the teachers treat us here at Hodayot makes a big difference. The small number of students in each class mean that we each receive a lot individual attention from our teachers.

Small class size and having the same teacher for most of the day is better for me because I am able to listen better to the lessons, concentrate more and get more out of each class.

I love to study English, biology and math. I also love playing sports here. I want to be a doctor when I grow up. With the kind of individual academic support I receive, it is clear to me that Hodayot will help me achieve my dreams.