

**Task: Put the verbs in the text into the correct tenses:
(Pay attention to the signal words and the context.)**

Julian's letter to his English pen pal John about his family and friends.

Salzburg,

January 29, 2023

Dear John,

I' _____ (1-have got) a new friend at school. His name _____ (2-be) Kevin, and he _____ (2-sit) next to me in the classroom. His family _____ (3-move) from Liverpool to Salzburg last July. So he _____ (4-live) here since July. It' _____ (5-be) January now; so he _____ (6-live) here for six months. He _____ (7-come) to our school last September; so he _____ (8-be) my classmate for five months. We _____ (9-start) to play table tennis together last October; so we _____ (10-play) together since October, i. e. we _____ (11-play) together for four months. Unfortunately, he _____ (12-have) an accident last week; so we _____ (13-not play) for a week. He _____ (14-be) in hospital now for a week, but he _____ (15-stay) in hospital for another week. My father _____ (16-play) table tennis since he _____ (17-start) high school; so he' _____ (18-be) better than I am. But I' _____ (19-be) sure that I' _____ (20-beat) him if I _____ (21-practise) hard. Of course, he _____ (22-play) for thirty years and I _____ (23-only play) for half a year; but my reactions _____ (24-be) quick and I _____ (25-can,run) fast. So sooner or later I' _____ (26-beat) him. My mum _____ (27-not play) table tennis. She _____ (28-never play) table tennis. But she _____ (29-play) lawn tennis since she _____ (30-join) a tennis club in 2016. So she _____ (31-play) for six years. I also _____ (32-play) lawn tennis, but I _____ (33-not beat) her yet. Just _____ (34-wait) for a year, and I' _____ (35-beat) her, too.

I also _____ (36-play) football; I' _____ (37-be) good enough to play in the school team. I _____ (38-play) in the school team for two years now, that means I _____ (39-play) since 2021

In summer I _____ (40-love) swimming. I _____ (41-learn) to swim when I _____ (42-be) five years old. So I _____ (43-be) a swimmer since I _____ (44-be) five years old. I' _____ (45-be) twelve now: so I _____ (46-be) a swimmer for seven years.

My sister _____ (47-be) a swimmer, too. She _____ (48-learn) to swim when she _____ (49-be) four years old in 2017. So she _____ (50-be) a swimmer since 2017; so she _____ (51-be) a swimmer for almost six years.

She also _____ (52-love) riding her bike. Well, she _____ (53-start) with a tricycle when she _____ (54-be) three. So she _____ (55-be) a cyclist since 2016; so she _____ (56-be) a cyclist for seven years.

_____ (57-not be) we a great family with many sports activities?

I' _____ (58-look forward) to hearing from you soon.

Yours,

Julian