

*Bonjour!* (Hello)

My name is Ahmadou and my home country is Niger. Have you ever heard of Niger? Niger is located in a very beautiful region of Western Africa with a rich history and interesting places to explore. It is also very hot and dry here as most of my country is covered by the Sahara Desert. The official language is French. In Niger, we have many diverse and unique animals, such as lions, monkeys, and giraffes. Near my home, I often see giraffes with their long necks eating the leaves from the trees.



Water is one of the most important resources in our lives. In this photo I am fetching water from a well in my village. I must do this many times during the day and carry the water back to my house. In addition to carrying water, I help grow food in our garden. Many people in Niger are

farmers. They raise livestock, such as goats, sheep, and cattle, and grow crops, such as millet, cassava, and rice. Water is not only important for our drinking and bathing, but also for the land and animals.

I have many talents. I am good at drawing and singing. I like to sing many of the old songs that make me proud to be from Niger. I am also very inventive and have even made some of my toys; my favorite is a car I made out of wire. For fun, I like to play chasing and jumping games with my friends because I am very good at them.

I am excited to learn more about you. How would you describe yourself? What skills do you have or sports you are good at playing? What are your likes and dislikes? What do you do for fun in your country?

I look forward to learning more about you.

*Au revoir et à bientôt de te lire, (Good-bye and talk to you soon)*

Ahmadou