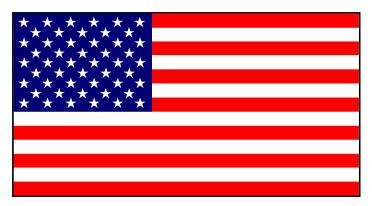
# **Letters from Home**

#### By Central Carolina - Siler City Campus

#### **Objectives**

Students will

- Develop an abiding respect for the American soldier--those ordinary men and women who volunteer to protect and preserve America even though they personally may face great danger/death keeping freedom alive
- Remember our military men and women by writing letters of appreciation and encouragement to soldiers serving abroad



### Background

Letters from Home were written by ESL students from all campuses. The letters were typed--sometimes by the students themselves and sometimes by teachers (preserving spelling and punctuation as written by the students)--and decorated before being sent to the Marines in Iraq. The letters that were sent did not include the source of the decorative graphics. For purposes of this project, the graphics are credited on each letter.

## Central Carolina – Siler City Campus

Mitch Million and Anne Frickey's intermediate/advanced level students wrote Christmas letters. The only corrections made during the writing process were very obvious mistakes that the instructors were able to see and correct as the students were writing the letters in class.

Graphic from http://office.microsoft.com/en-us/clipart/default.aspx

Dear Marine
my name is Raul Garcia
Greetings for all the heroes
of the USA in this Christmas
and new year season.
we hope that
you return soon to
this great country



Graphic from <a href="http://office.microsoft.com/en-us/clipart/default.aspx">http://office.microsoft.com/en-us/clipart/default.aspx</a>



Siler city 11-19-08
Dear: Marine
How are you?
I hope that you're fine

You are a hero of your country, It is a pleasure for me to be able to write a letter to you.

I'm studying English in North Carolina and want to say that I know the difficulty that you are far from your family and your friends.

I want to send you Electronic mail <a href="mailto:Larioshelen@hotmail.com">Larioshelen@hotmail.com</a> and my address. 1109 15<sup>th</sup> St Siler City NC. 27244. That we will love you be careful always

I will always ask God to Guard your life.

May God bless you.
HELEN LARIOS

# Central Carolina Community College Siler City N.C 11-19-08

27344

DEAR MARINE HELLO
MY NAME IS HUGO
I from Guatemalan.
I study in CCCC Siler City
I hope that when this letter
Is in your hands that you are
in good health.

I want to thank you with my whole heart for Defender this contry and taking care to defend of the liberty of the

citizens.

This Thanksgiving I will thank
God for giving you life, and
This Cristmas I will ask God
That you can be with you family
Those are my best wishes
Hugo





Central Carolina Community College November 19–2008

Dear Marine The Nations Heroes.

Hell o my name is Humberto I'm from Mexico. I live in the U.S and Am learning English in CCCC Siler City N.C.

My wish is that You all return home soon. I admire and respect you.

I'm very proud of all of you and that God protects you and yours on your mission. May you come back home soon.

Best wishes have a happy Christmas

Aff. Humberto Cuenca T.

 $Graphics \ from \ \underline{http://office.microsoft.com/en-us/clipart/default.aspx}$ 





DEAR MARINES: MY NAME IS JOSE HUEZO
I BEING IN THE USA FOR 6 YEARS AND I'M
A ESL CLASS STUDENT AND I HOPE YOU
HAVE A HAPPY CRISTMAS AND I HOPE
YOU COME BACK SOON WITH YOURS
FAMILY'S

GOD BLESS ALL OF YOU
SINCERYLY
JOSE

Graphic from <a href="http://office.microsoft.com/en-us/clipart/default.aspx">http://office.microsoft.com/en-us/clipart/default.aspx</a>

Central Carolina Community College Siler City N.C 11-19-08

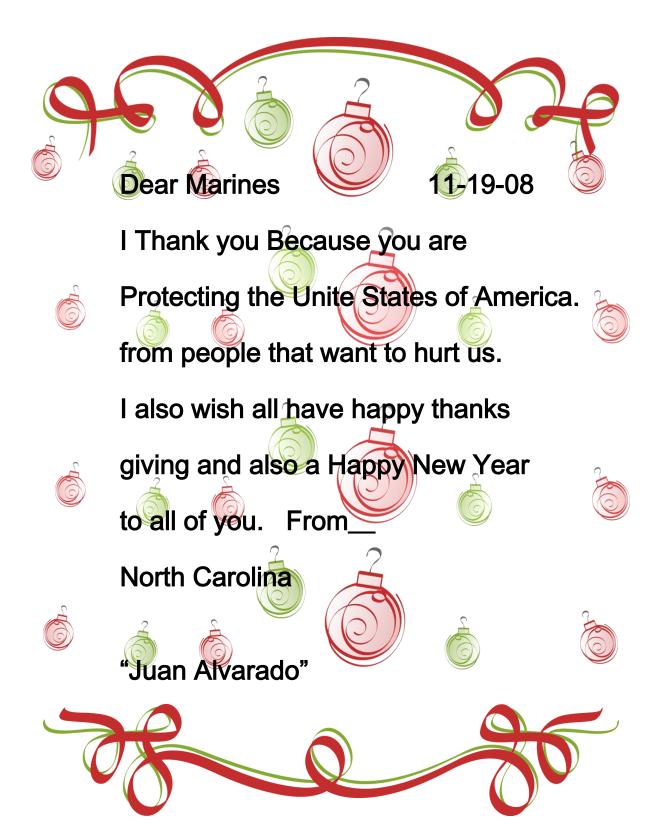
## Hello dear marine

My name is Jose Morales. I'm from Guatemala C.A. I study at school, C.C.C. in Siler City I wish you luck in the things that you do all day with your companions. I want you to come back to the U.S.A. in the Christmas and you stay with your family. also, I appreciate your effort for defending our country. You are my heroes I admire your efforts that you do for our family and continue with your mission.

Thank you for reading my letter and God bless you and protect you for ever.

aff.
Jose Morales

Graphic from http://office.microsoft.com/en-us/clipart/default.aspx



Graphics from <a href="http://office.microsoft.com/en-us/clipart/default.aspx">http://office.microsoft.com/en-us/clipart/default.aspx</a>

Dear marines: my name is Maria Cecilia I being in the USA For 5 years and I'm a ESL class student and I hope you have a happy crismas and I hope you come back soon with yours family's

God bless all of you
Sinceryly



Graphic from <a href="http://office.microsoft.com/en-us/clipart/default.aspx">http://office.microsoft.com/en-us/clipart/default.aspx</a>

Central Carolina Community College Siler City N.C. 11-19-08

## **Dear Marine:**

I want to tell you that I appreciate all that you do, Because without you this country is not safe.

You are a hero of the town in this moment. I say that you are not alone. Many people have you in their prayers each day.

Be careful in each moment of your life, and I hope that you return home safely soon.

May God bless you.

Mirna Larios.



Graphic from http://office.microsoft.com/en-us/clipart/default.aspx

I want to tell you thank you for your sevice to our country I am from Mexico but I said our country because I have lived here for 13 years and I hope every bary come back safely and good Health to stay with your families; they are the ones who suffer for you. Those are my best wishes for this Christmas.

Thank you for serving

sincerely, Rafael Herrera

our country.





Hello! My name is Ruben and I'm 30 years-old. I'm studying English, and I arrived in the USA

in 2006. So, this letter is to say Thank you for your efforts and happy Christmas.

Thank you.