



11 A Letter from Rizka

“And We do not send you but to spread kindness for the universe.” (Al Anbiya’: 107)

STUDENT A

A. Work with your partner. Read text A and ask your partner to answer these questions.

1. To whom is this letter sent?
2. Where did Rizka spend her holiday?
3. Why does uncle Han often talk to his animals & plants?
4. What is uncle Han like?



Text A

He's taught me how to love the environment. He reduces the use of water, he makes compost from his household garbage. That's why he never uses insecticide for his plants. He brings his own bags when shopping as he doesn't like using plastic bags. I remember when I threw away plastic bottles & cans, he said, "Don't throw away anything that can be recycled! You can reuse them."

Can I stay here until the end of the vacation, Mom? There are two weeks to go and there are lots of things I want to learn from him. Love to Daddy and my sister, Rika. I miss you all.

Love,
Rizka

STUDENT B

A. Work with your partner.

Read text B and ask your partner to answer these questions.

5. What has Rizka learned from her uncle?
6. Why do you think he doesn't like using plastic bags?
7. Who's Rika?
8. Who wrote the letter?



Text B

Dear Mom,

I enjoy staying here, Mom. Uncle Han's very kind and friendly. He likes animals and plants too. He has rabbits, ducks, sheep, flowers, and plants in his large garden. He often talks to them. He even cried when one of his rabbits died. When I asked him, "Why did you cry, uncle Han?" He answered sadly "Animals and plants are Allah's creatures, Rizka, we must love them as we love ourselves. We must ¹look after them carefully." I'm very proud of uncle Han because he is kind not only to other people or animals but also to his environment.

B. SPEAKING. Discuss these questions with your partner.

1. Do you have a pet in your house?
2. Are there plants or flowers in your house?
3. Do you look after them? If not, who looks after them?
4. What else can you do to protect the environment?

¹look after = merawat

