

Name: _____

Hello, meet Ingrid!

Hello, my name is Ingrid. I'm Dutch. I was born in the Netherlands. I will tell you a bit about the Netherlands. Most people call it Holland but that is not quite correct. Holland is one of the provinces. A province is one small part of the Netherlands. I was born in a province called '*Gelderland*'. I live in a town called '*Tiel*' and I push my bike to school.

The Netherlands is rather flat. We don't have mountains. There are some forests and wild animals like deer, snakes, birds, rabbits and foxes. It is very green with lots of cows in the fields. Spring is beautiful with lots of blossom on the fruit trees. In autumn the trees turn orange, yellow and gold. All the leaves drop and we walk on a carpet of colourful leaves.



In winter the cows go in large sheds because it is too cold and there is no food in the frozen fields in winter. Cows eat maize, sugar beet and hay the farmers grow in summer. I have always liked winter. I enjoy making a snowman and using my dad's old scarf and hat and sticking a large carrot in its face as a nose. My brother and I take turns in pushing the sled and we play for hours in the snow. I like the Netherlands very much.

We say:

Goedenavond.	Good evening.
Hallo.	Hello.
Ik heb honger.	I am hungry.
Ik woon in Nederland.	I live in the Netherlands.
Mijn naam is Ingrid.	My name is Ingrid.
Het is koud.	It is cold.
Hoe gaat het?	How are you?

Your Task

Locate a library book about the Netherlands. Read it and write a short story about the Netherlands.

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for more information. My mum took the photos of Tiel, the town I live in. You can see me standing in front of 'Government House'. This is where they make laws. In which city is 'Government House'?
