**Transcript**

Hi! My name is Maeve Tobin. Although I have an Irish name, I am an American. I come from a town called Potomac in the state of Maryland. Potomac is named after the Potomac River, and the nearest major city is Washington, D.C. I have a mom and a dad, and a sister named Clare who is fifteen years old.

For university, I moved from Potomac to New York City where I attended Columbia University. I studied psychology and French literature, and I was also part of a club that taught students different stress management techniques. Living in New York City was very exciting; and while I lived there, I enjoyed going to art museums like the Metropolitan Museum of Art.

I studied abroad in Paris for ten months while I was in school, so this is my second time living in France. However, it’s my first time in the Basque region. I love how beautiful the scenery is here, and how close it is to the beach.

In my spare time I love to read. I recently got a library card for the library in Ciboure, so I can read books in French. Right now I’m working on “Le Mystère Henri Pick” by David Foenkinos. I also enjoy learning languages- I live with a Spanish language assistant, so I have been working on learning some Spanish. I also enjoy going for walks and swimming.

For the Christmas break, I will be meeting my family in Paris, and then going to Aix-en-Provence with them. They go back home on New Year’s Day, and I’m going to go to London during the second week of the break.

After my stay in Saint-Jean-de-Luz, I hope to find a job that will allow me to use French. In a few years, I may decide to go back to school and become a psychologist, but I would like to work for a while first.