

Dear Riya,

I hope this letter finds you in great spirits! I couldn't wait any longer to tell you about all the excitement brewing at home as we get ready for our family festival this year. Everyone is buzzing with energy and I just know you'll love hearing about the preparations!

Mom has already started collecting all the ingredients for her special dishes. The kitchen smells amazing every day with the aroma of sweets and snacks being prepared in advance. I'm helping her with the laddoos this time (don't worry, I won't eat too many before the festival!). Dad and Uncle Ramesh are in charge of putting up the fairy lights and hanging the lanterns outside the house. The whole place is already starting to shine.

This year, Grandma has thought of a fun twist! She wants all the cousins to perform a small skit together. So, I hope you're ready to show off your acting skills. We are also planning to play some traditional games-remember the one where everyone has to balance lemons on a spoon?

The best part, though, is just being together with the entire family, sharing laughs and stories, and making memories. It would mean so much if you could come a couple of days early so we can decorate together and do some last-minute shopping. I'm keeping my fingers crossed!

Write back soon and let me know your plans. Can't wait to see you and make this festival the best one yet!

With lots of love,
Aanya