

CREATIVE IDEAS FOR YOUR SOLIDARITY LETTERS

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Here are some suggestions for ways you can personalise and add creativity to your solidarity messages. We've also included some important sensitivities to keep in mind for your solidarity messages.

PERSON/ PERSONS	IDEAS AND SENSITIVITIES
Thulani Rudolph Maseko (he/him) <i>Eswatini</i>	Thulani loved reading and was a huge soccer fan who managed a local youth soccer club. Please include a message of hope for Thulani's family -they are Christians, however they welcome other religions. Religious messages and quotes can be shared with the family.
Uncle Pabai (he/him) and Uncle Paul (he/him) <i>Australia</i>	Uncle Pabai and Uncle Paul's totems are the crocodile, the dog and the yam leaf - the yam leaf is the symbol for peace. Blue, green, white, and black are the colours of the Torres Strait and represented in the Torres Strait flag. Feel free to use these symbols and colours in your solidarity messages. You can also include as part of your solidarity messages the phrase 'Mura Kalmel Sipa' which means 'Together We Unite' in Uncle Pabai and Uncle Paul's language - the Kalaw Kawaw Ya dialect. You can also share with them who you are, why you care and what climate impacts you worry about. Always refer to them as Uncle Pabai and Uncle Paul.
Ana Maria Santos Cruz (she/her) <i>Brazil</i>	Ana Maria's favourite hobby is to write and listen to music and she's a particular fan of reggae and popular Brazilian music. Drawings are encouraged as part of your solidarity message.
Rocky Myers (he/him) <i>USA</i>	Drawings are encouraged in your solidarity messages to Rocky and in particular drawings of turtles and roses or a drawing or description of your favourite landmark in your city. When writing your solidarity messages, please be mindful that Rocky has a hard time reading, so we encourage you to keep your messages simple in clear handwriting. Please do not mention the death penalty in your solidarity messages.
Rita Karasartova (she/her) <i>Kyrgyzstan</i>	Rita is interested in books, sports, yoga and loves to cook healthy food. She also enjoys drawing and sewing. We encourage you to add drawings of the traditional designs or clothes of your country in your solidarity message.



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Maung Sawyeddollah
(he/him)

Myanmar

Sawyeddollah enjoys reading and creative writing and is very passionate about education. Please refer to him as Sawyeddollah, his surname, as this is his preference. Please do not send any religious messages.

Chaima Issa (she/her)

Tunisia

Chaima is an author and a poet and she enjoys Lebanese and Egyptian music and artists such as Hamza Namira, Fairouz and Marcel Khalife who are known for ballads that touch on social justice and various rights/freedoms.

Justyna Wydrzynska
(she/her)

Poland

Justyna loves Meryl Streep and enjoys crocheting and listening to audiobooks. We encourage you to use the colour green in your solidarity messages and to focus your message on the importance of helping others and on why access to abortion is important to yourself personally. Please do not include any images that may stigmatise abortion.

Thapelo Mohapi
(he/him)

South Africa

Thapelo is a fan of soccer and jazz, particularly struggle songs that were born out of the apartheid era in South Africa. His favourite song is 'Not Yet Uhuru' by artist Letta Mbulu. The lyric that speaks to him most is, "Other people see us as free, but we are not yet free". We encourage you to share your favourite jazz lyrics, songs and musicians in your solidarity messages to Thapelo.

Ahmed Mansoor
(he/him)

UAE

Ahmed is a poet so your message could include poetry, either something you like or have written yourself. Please do not send any religious messages.



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