Student teaching took her far from home

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HARRIET WELSHING, an intern at the University of Kentucky, said she forced into the role of a teacher after her son's school was closed due to the pandemic. She said the experience was both challenging and rewarding.

"I found myself in a position where I had to teach without any preparation or resources," Welshing said. "I had to come up with lesson plans, create assessments, and grade the work of the students. It was a learning curve, but I was able to adapt quickly."

Welshing, who is a psychology major, said she initially felt overwhelmed by the task, but she was able to rely on the support of her colleagues and the school administration.

"They were always there to help me with my questions and provide feedback," Welshing said. "I felt appreciated by the students and their parents, and it was rewarding to see them learn and grow."
Dear Cheryl,

I was very pleased to receive your letter. It sounds as if you're having a great time and learning many new things from your experiences.

I can certainly understand that living away from home in a foreign country and student teaching altogether would be very challenging.

Your classroom experiences that you describe sound both exciting and rewarding. Do not apologize for getting "carried away" in your letter. I really enjoy hearing about all of your adventures.

I am very pleased with your enthusiasm and look forward to hearing from you again.

Sincerely,

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