

**REFERENCE FORM**  
**GSSW Travel Support Team International Travel Opportunity**  
**New Zealand and Australia 2026**

Applicant's Name:	
Trip applicant is applying for:	New Zealand and Australia 2026
Your Name:	
How long have you known the applicant?	
What is your relationship to the applicant?	

**Instructions:** Please type your reference. The person named above is applying for an international opportunity to New Zealand and Australia in 2026. The successful participant will need the ability to function well as a member of a group, be flexible and adapt to new and changing circumstances, and follow through on commitments. Your honest and objective answers will be very helpful to the selection committee. All references will be reviewed only by those who have a duty to review them. They will not be shared with the applicant or their parent/guardian. *Thank you.*

1. To the extent of your knowledge indicate the rating that describes the degree to which the applicant has the qualities listed below: **5= Always 4= Usually 3= Sometimes 2= Seldom 1= Never 0= Don't Know**

Qualities	5	4	3	2	1	0
Has poise and ease in meeting new people	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Relates well to girls and adults in group situations	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sets appropriate boundaries with girls and other adults	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Accepts people of backgrounds different from their own	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Is adaptable, flexible	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Shows good judgment	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Is reliable/dependable	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Has a sense of humor	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Has physical stamina and energy	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Can function well in uncomfortable physical conditions	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Has a neat appearance; dresses appropriately for each occasion	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Has a positive attitude	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Communicates in a positive manner	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Communicates in a timely manner	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Comments about any of the items listed above:

2. What three words would you use to describe the applicant and why you've chosen those words?

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

3. Describe the applicant's special strengths and/or skills that would enable her to enjoy and succeed in the trip. Please give specific examples. If more space is needed use additional sheets.

4. Do you have any reservations about recommending this person for the trip? Yes ☐ No ☐  
If yes, please explain.

Additional comments or information:

**Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date** \_\_\_\_\_

[You can sign this application, or type your name here if you are not able to scan and email your application]

**Email:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Phone number:** \_\_\_\_\_

Send references via email to [newzealandaustralia25@gmail.com](mailto:newzealandaustralia25@gmail.com) or by mail to Val Manuel, 808 N 30<sup>th</sup> St, Mount Vernon, WA 98273.