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Music. That`s all Alice can think of.
She is fifteen years old and she is the lead singer of her own band.
And singing is Alice`s biggest passion.

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O-Ton Alice

I really want to be a singer in a band. I really want to do that. Then I want to be an actress as well or, like a comedian. Or if that doesn`t work out I want to be a fashion designer. But my main specific thing is to be a singer. But I want to do it just for the music. Like I want to make albums and I want to be able to go to a shop and see yeah, that`s my work.

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Alice lives in a comfortable flat, together with her mother. Her parents are divorced, but the relationship between mother and daughter is very good. They spend a lot of time together.

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O-Ton Alice

I like just living with my mum ,cause I think we are really close, we`ve got a really close relationship and we can talk about anything. I think that`s really good to have that bond between parent and child. So, I really enjoy it.

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In her own bedroom, Alice feels especially good. There are many personal things in it that show what she is interested in.

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ATMO Alice

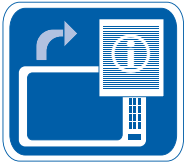
This is my bedroom. I think my main favourite things are the posters on the walls ,cause there are mainly all my favourite things. And my favourite poster is probably the Wham one there. It`s, cause I love the 80`s and old bands. And it`s just such an old picture. I think that`s really cool.

On my bedroom door. I`ve got like all the tickets from what gigs I`ve been to. And it`s just like all the memories of which ones I`ve been to.

A picture of my band, which is Anorax. And that is going to be put up on our myspace, on our internet page.

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Her electro music band, called Anorax, has got its own website on the internet. There you can listen to Alice`s songs. And guess what. Alice is the lead singer.



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O-Ton Alice

First time I sang in public I was, I think, I was about three. I think we were at an art gallery me, my mum and her friend. There was like a microphone there, as an art piece. I just went up to it and started singing Saturday night fever from the Bee Gees.

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Alice is packing her handbag for a special training programme at school today. Even though it's Saturday she has to go to school.

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She enjoys walking through Greenwich. Greenwich, a borough in the south of London, is much quieter than the centre of London itself.

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The streets are smaller and there are fewer tourists. Visitors to London only come here to see the famous place which the prime meridian passes through - the Royal Observatory.

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Alice has reached the school. At Blackheath High School there is a special programme for older pupils such as Alice. She has to hurry up to get there on time. The programme has already started.

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In this programme she will learn how to help younger children, for example with their homework or any other questions about Blackheath High.

Today the group is going to discuss how to become a tutor. A tutor is, so to speak, a young private teacher for kids just starting school. How should a tutor behave towards the younger pupils? Alice has got an idea.

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O-Ton Alice

Linking the idea I think you need to make sure that they know that they can trust you. So, they know that we won't go any further. So maybe, I don't say it obvious to them but just assure them.

O-Ton Teacher

Okay, so you can reinforce that by saying, you know, this sounds a bit personal, you might be relieved that I'm not gonna tell anyone or something.

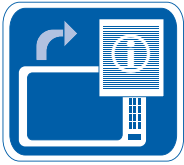
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A tutor should be reliable. And what else?

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O-Ton Alice

We are doing like a brainstorming about what everyone has to do. Like some of the problems that they might be going through. So, we know what to do, like to help.



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ATMO

Being rejected or not needed.

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The group is talking about possible problems as well. What should you do for instance if the younger pupils don't want any help? The girls will learn how to handle all of these situations.

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The next day, in central London. It's time to enjoy the beautiful weather in the City Centre. Opposite St. Paul's Cathedral lies the Tate Modern. Alice wants to go to this big art gallery, but not alone. She is waiting for her friends to turn up.

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ATMO Alice and friends

Hello, Hi

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Alice has known Laurel and Daisy for years now. She is looking forward to spending the day with them and going to the museum is a good start.

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ATMO Alice

Anyway, shall we go in?

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Alice loves art. She's always collecting new ideas for her music and for her band. She draws and designs the CD covers for her electro band Anorax, and the Tate Modern offers a lot of input. There are so many fantastic things to see.

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ATMO Alice and friends

Oh, this one. Yeah, it's really good. Different colour backgrounds. This one scares me. It looks really sci-fi. Yeah, it's a bit weird.

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What Alice likes most is pop art, like paintings by Roy Lichtenstein for example.

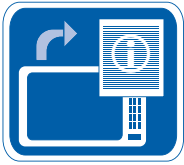
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O-Ton Alice

I love art because I want to go into it when I'm older. Because I just love, like just wanting to do whatever you want and you can do it. So, it's just expressing yourself through drawing and it's just showing what you mean on a canvas

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That's enough art and culture for today. Now the three friends decide to do what every girl loves: some shopping. They are on their way to London's famous Camden Market.



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O-Ton Alice

I want to get a new belt.

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A new belt for Alice. And most likely some more clothes, too.
Alice is entertaining her friends by singing in the street.

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ATMO

Lalala

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Her friends are used to Alice's singing wherever she is. They know her very well.

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Camden Town. It's the place to be for young and trendy people.

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O-Ton Alice

It's so amazing, lots of different people come here. It's really multicultural. And it's just so much different from like mainstream shops and high street shops. You just get anything and it's just a bit more alternative.

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This market is so inviting. You can meet many different people and there are so many different shops, offering trendy clothes and hip accessories. Alice and her friends come here quite often.

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O-Ton Daisy, Alice

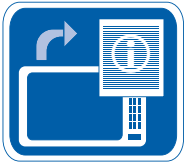
Three times a month. Yeah, we come here quite a lot. It's a good place to shop.

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And now, moving into the crowd and bustle, it's shopping time! Perhaps Alice will find a new belt, some new shoes or even a funky hat?

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The girls have a lot of fun together. And there are lots of things to discover.



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ATMO Alice , friends

You want it? / No thanks.

I'll give it cheaper.

No, sorry, I've got a fat face.

No, come back.

He is saying two for ten.

That's the cheapest you can get.

Shall we? Oh, I'll pay. It's your birthday present. What colour can we get? That's for you.

Thank you.

I've got a stick on them (sunglasses).

9:12

New sunglasses on a sunny day. Perfect. But there is still something missing to make the day even more perfect. Some new music, of course. Alice cannot imagine living without it. Neither today nor in the future.

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O-Ton Alice

I've always had a very secure plan of what I'm going to do in my life. I mean I want to, as soon as I leave University, I want to try and get the band up and growing. I mean the electro band. Ten years time I'd like to have recorded an album and got signed to a record label or something. And I mean most importantly I want to, I mean playing gigs, that's what I really, really want to do.

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Music is Alice's whole life. But for the moment, she simply enjoys shopping with her friends.