

Annia Schöne Narration

A Day with Annia Schöne

1. Three-year-old brother Aaron enjoys waking up Annia in the early morning. He goes to sleep very early, thus he also gets up very early in the morning and bothers his family with his activities. *How do you wake up in the morning? By an alarm clock? Or does someone in your family wake you up?*
2. After taking a quick shower, Annia gets dressed. As there is little time in the morning, she chooses her clothes for the day the night before. *Do you select your own clothes or are they chosen by a grown-up?*
3. Annia is very helpful to her mother in preparing breakfast. She likes to have cornflakes with milk and rolls with different kinds of cheese, sausage, or jelly. Of course, there is always fruit on the table. *What do you prefer for breakfast? Do you prepare it by yourself or is it prepared by someone else in your family?*
4. Annia rides to school by bus with her father. Mornings are always a hectic time. The bus stop is close by, but normally they arrive just in time. *How do you get to school? Walk? By bus or bicycle?*
5. Annia's teacher likes to teach in stations. Here, the group works on the Nibelungen Saga, specifically, the scene with the hero Siegfried being trained by a blacksmith. The horseshoe hammered by the blacksmith is a symbol of his craft. *What do you like in school? Working in groups, working alone, or being taught by the teacher?*
6. Annia's mother is very busy taking Oliver to kindergarten, picking him up afterwards, and keeping Aaron playing close to her in the house while she cleans. The teachers in the kindergarten organize a well balanced program of activities where teamwork is involved. *What does your mother do while you are at school? Does she work outside the home or is she a housewife? Do you prefer to play alone or in a group?*
7. Oliver is picked up from kindergarten at noon. Annia comes home from school at 1 p.m. At 1:30 they have lunch together. The children prefer salad and pasta with different vegetables. *When do you arrive home from school? Do you have lunch together with other family members? What is your favorite food?*
8. Annia's father, Norbert, works at the financial department of the Archiepiscopal Church of Cologne preparing for World Youth Day. *How are the adults in your family employed?*
9. Annia likes to read fairy tales to her brothers in the afternoon. They already know some of Grimm's fairy tales by heart. There are lots of modern stories for children with wonderful creative illustrations, which fascinate the three of them. *Do you have brothers or sisters? Do you like to play with them? Do you have any hobbies in common? Which stories do you like most?*
10. Annia likes to go shopping with her mother. They look for sales. There is a very small shopping center near their home where they find everyday needs. For dresses and other needs, they have to go to the center of the city where there are a lot of different stores and boutiques. *Are you fond of shopping with your parents? Is there a shopping center near your home? Do you get to choose your own clothes?*
11. Annia and her brothers enjoy playing outdoors – climbing on trees, swimming, playing hide and seek, and running. *What do you do for exercise?*
12. After all the physical activities, Annia enjoys relaxing and playing with her laptop. There are many games which she likes and often she surfs the Internet for more information for her homework. *How do you use the computer? Do you use the Internet to help you with your homework?*
13. Annia's family likes to take long weekend hiking trips into the mountains. The Eifel mountains are nearby, and the Alps are 370 miles away. The beautiful scenery and the clean, fresh air are a big attraction for the family. *What outdoor activities do your family members enjoy doing together?*
14. The family also enjoys museums and art galleries. Here you see Annia visiting a museum of combined technology and arts. She is examining an old calculator. *Do you enjoy visiting museums? Do you like interactive exhibits?*

15. The world famous gothic Cathedral of Cologne (1248 AD), with its legendary shrine of the Three Magi, is visited often by Annia's family. Annia is very impressed by the beautiful collection of statues at the main doorway. She also likes to read the stories of the different kings, prophets, and disciples represented in stone. *Does your family like to visit churches or other historic buildings? Which ones?*
16. Annia's family likes to go on picnics together whenever they have the opportunity. They enjoy eating pretzels and fruit. *Do you ever go on picnics with your family? What do you like to take along to eat?*
17. Annia is very fond of horses. Sometimes her family visits a horse farm to see the animals, especially the smaller Shetland ponies. *Are you fond of animals? Which ones do you like most? Can you keep them at home?*