Dear Mr Smith,

As Australians, we are greatly pleased to learn about your enthusiasm to learn about Australia. We are very happy to specially write to you about the wonders of our country. With all you have informed about what Australia has to offer, you will want to pack your bags and come straight away.

Australia is a land with many natural wonders, as well as many majestic man-made structures. Indigenous Australians are the traditional ancient owners of the land, but Captain James Cook brought the first European colonies. They were brought to Botany Bay, a beautiful bay, in Sydney NSW.

New South Wales is home to many famous icons, including the Sydney Harbour Bridge and Opera House. The Sydney Harbour Bridge is an icon known throughout the world. How would it feel to point to a picture of the bridge and say that you’ve been there, and it was amazing! It would be an amazing experience to look at it, but you could go even further and take part in the famous BridgeClimb! The climb will give you heart-stopping views and memories that will last for a lifetime.

The Sydney Opera House is an architectural wonder. As well as being on the World Heritage List, it is a performing arts centre that holds some of the world’s famous multicultural acts and performances. The Opera House also takes part in the Vivid Sydney Festival, where the building is lit up with spectacular lights. At the Opera House, be sure to watch a performance or just enjoy the view.

If it’s sunshine you’re looking for than Queensland is the way to go! It’s not called the Sunshine State for no reason. The Surfers Paradise beach is located in Queensland. At the beach you could enjoy yourself in the water or relax on the beach and get some sun.

But if you want something that will really exhilarate your senses than look no further than the Great Barrier Reef. Imagine this: you are surrounded by blue, no sound except for your breathing and fish surrounding you, as if you are one of them. P.T. Oy
Anyone would be crazy to miss out on an opportunity like that! But if you're looking for thrills, then thrills you will get at some of Australia's famous theme parks in the Gold Coast. Some of these theme parks include Wet'n'Wild, Dreamworld, Steve Irwin's famous Australia Zoo or The Australian Outback Spectacular for a taste of the outback.

In the Northern Territory you will be able to connect with the land. When visiting Uluru, or Ayers Rock, you will get a chance to learn about the Aboriginal ancestors of Australia and the history of our country.

I could go on and tell you about every single thing that you could experience in Australia but that would be wasting the time you could be spending with us! So, what are you waiting for? How much more obvious could it get? You need to come to Australia so you don't miss out. So come on, but you can't come alone, because these experiences are truly worth sharing.

To acknowledge your effort to write to us about your interests about Australia, we are offering you a discount. When you choose to fly to Australia using Aussie airlines we will take $5025 two percent off the second ticket. All you have to do is take this letter to your nearest Tourism experience office and we will do the rest. Just sit back, relax and don't forget your camera. Looking forward to seeing you!

Grade Commentary

Mel has demonstrated thorough knowledge and understanding of writing a well-constructed persuasive letter. A range of persuasive techniques are used effectively to support ideas and engage the reader, but at times the tone is inconsistent. Appropriate information about Australia is provided as evidence.

Mel's response demonstrates characteristics of work typically produced by a student performing at a grade B standard midway through Stage 4.