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Dear Duncan,

My name is Gord. Maybe you don't remember me, because I left Canada a long time ago. You're a pretty stupid dog, so I guess it's possible you forgot me. I am your master's brother. I was thinking about you and I thought I'd write you a letter. I was thinking about you because I think you're very lucky to have my sister as your master. Have you ever realized that? I think you probably haven't realized that, because you're even dumber than most dogs! But you really are very lucky, because your master Annie is patient, generous, and kind to you.

First of all, Annie is always patient with you. She doesn't get angry when you make a mess. For example, you once vomited on her bed, but she didn't get angry. She just put you outside, and cleaned up the mess. She also never got annoyed with you, even though sometimes you disturbed her life. For instance, you often made loud sounds and barked at the neighbor's dog. However, Annie didn't mind. She just accepted that as part of your personality, and that helped her to be very patient with you.

Next, Annie is generous to you. She always gives you treats and wonderful snacks. For instance, she bought you tasty dog bones for Christmas, and last year she even bought you doggy-chocolates! She was also generous with her time. For example, she was always happy to take you for a run, or to play with you when you felt lonely. I think you had a much more generous master than other dogs.

Finally, I think Annie is also so kind to you. I remember her always being gentle with you. For example, when you were a puppy and your legs hurt because you were growing, she would hug you and play with you until the pain stopped. She also never punched or kicked you like some kids do when their dogs are misbehaving. For example, you once knocked her down the stairs. She fell on her head, and she was very dizzy and frustrated, but she didn't even shout at you! She just said, "That's okay, Duncan made a mistake." I think very few dogs have such a kind master, don't you?

For all of the above reasons, I think you're such a lucky dog. I hope that you are very thankful for this, and that you remember this fact. Next time you see Annie, wag your tail very hard and give her a nice big lick on the face. She will appreciate it, and you will feel good showing your love to your wonderful master. If you have any questions about this letter or would like to contact me for any reason, please feel free to use the contact information above.

Sincerely,

Gord Sellar