

Ali's Story



In May 2014, fourteen-year-old Ali and nine other Syrian refugees were attempting to cross the border from Syria into Turkey.

There is a war happening in Syria. To escape the war most of Ali's family had left and moved to Turkey. Ali was trying to cross the border to re-join his family in Turkey.

During the crossing Ali was shot and injured resulting in him losing his sight.

There has been no progress in the investigation and those responsible for injuring Ali are yet to be brought to justice.

After treatment in Syria and Turkey, Ali was allowed to join his mother in Germany in June 2014; his father and two siblings were then reunited with them in March 2015.

Ali has been going to school since he has been in Germany. It is difficult for Ali because he needs to learn to speak German. He is also learning Braille, a way to read and write for people who are blind or have difficulty seeing. Ali loves music and wants to learn how to play the piano and the guitar. He also loves football and supports Real Madrid.



Where is Ali from?

Country Name: Syria

Population: 23.24 million

Capital: Damascus

Official language: Arabic