



Summer 2019 was a great adventure. I was excited when my parents allowed me to spend the summer with my aunt in Los Angeles. My first day of camp I was very nervous because I do not make friends easily since I am shy. I asked my aunt to stay with me for a while until our counselors arrived. As she walked to her office I kept looking back to see if she was still there. At that moment, I knew that I was on my own. Each day gave me more excitement because I was able to enjoy playing my favorite sport basketball. I also enjoyed learning martial arts with Carl. He made it very easy to understand and he treated everyone very nice.

My favorite trip was going to the beach. Where I live, we do not have access to the beach. It was the best day. Letting the wave's crash on me while my feet sank in the sand. Playing the different games with the counselors and laughing at all the funny moments.

The staff was very nice. Ms. Cynthia was always so nice and helpful. She made me feel so welcome. She kept calling me dimples because I have deep ones and I would just laugh. My counselor Gabriel was awesome from the beginning. He was funny, encouraged me to be brave when learning how to swim and help me when some of the kids were bullying me. He gave me an encouraging talk, which made everything better.



I was looking forward to attending camp again this year, but the virus stopped all our fun. I hope that we will get to go to camp next year so I can make more memories with all the kids.

Sincerely,  
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2019 Camp Attendee

