

A Trip to Hawaii

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Annie had always loved the state of Hawaii. She read many books about Hawaii and studied Hawaii in school. What she liked most was the pretty beaches and warm weather. She had asked her mom if they could ever go to Hawaii for their family vacation. "I don't know," said mom. "Hawaii is far away, and the trip would cost a lot of money." "Maybe some day we'll get there," laughed mom. Annie was thinking she could start saving her birthday, Christmas, and allowance money for the trip. *That will take forever*, she thought to herself.

Annie went to school the next day. She went to the library to find some more books about Hawaii with her friend Mandy. She found a travel magazine that had an entry form to fill out to win a prize. "Oh my gosh!" she said to her friend Mandy. "Look what the prize is, a trip to Hawaii!" "Do you think Miss Brown will let me take this entry form to fill out?" she asked Mandy. "I don't see why not," said Mandy. Miss Brown told Annie she could take the magazine home and fill out the form. Annie was so excited about a chance to win a trip to Hawaii. The trip was for one week and included two other people that could also go on the trip.

That night, Annie filled out all the information on the entry form and walked down to the corner mailbox. "I sure hope Annie isn't too disappointed when she doesn't win," she said to Annie's dad. "You know how many people enter contests."

A few weeks went by, and Annie's mom got a call from the travel company, Leisure Time. They asked for Annie, but she was still at school. Annie's mom talked to them and couldn't believe it. Annie's entry form was picked, and she won the trip to Hawaii. Annie's mom couldn't wait for Annie to get home and share the good news with her. "WOW!!" yelled Annie as her mom told her about the trip to Hawaii she had won. "I just can't believe they pulled my card out of all the people that entered," said Annie. "Well, you are finally going to get your dream of going to Hawaii," said Annie's mom. "I better start packing," laughed Annie.



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