

## Ski Trip

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Is it ever going to snow? That was the question Dana kept asking her mother for the past two weeks. "I want to try out my new skis Aunt Annie bought me for my birthday," Dana told her mom. "The weatherman keeps saying six to eight inches of snow, but all it ever does is rain." Every year at this time, Dana and her family head to the mountains to their cabin and ski for three days. The only problem is there hasn't been any snow.

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"How can we ski without snow?" asked Dana. "You'll see," said mom. "Just pack your clothes and don't worry about taking your skis," said mom. "But how can I ski without skis and snow?" asked Dana. "Don't worry," said mom.

The next day Dana, mom, and dad left for their ski trip. The only thing was they were headed in the opposite direction of the cabin in the mountains. Dana was confused. "I thought you said we were going skiing," said Dana. "We are," said dad. "We're going water skiing." "Water skiing!" "Wow!" said Dana. "That is fantastic!" "I told you we were going skiing, just not in the snow," said mom. Dana and her family had a great time water skiing. When their trip was over and they reached home, they couldn't believe what they saw when they got to their house. Snow had fallen. According to the weather report, there was twelve inches of snow on the ground.

The next weekend there was so much snow that Dana and her family packed their ski clothes and left for the cabin. "Wow, from no skiing to two weekends of skiing!" "This sure is fun!" said Dana. Dana finally got to use her new skis and even learned how to ski a new hill she had never thought she would be able to ski. "What a great weekend this was," said Dana. "Not only did I get to water ski last weekend, but I got to try my new skis from Aunt Annie."



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3. Why didn't Dana need her snow skis on her first trip?
  - A. They were going water skiing.
  - B. They were going hiking.
  - C. They were going camping.
  - D. None of the above
  
4. What word describes Dana when she found out she was going water skiing?
  - A. Sad
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