Who took my summer holiday?

Who took my summer holiday? It was Coronavirus disease (COVID-19), a fatal disease which caused a lot of death in the world.

COVID-19 started to spread in Hong Kong during Chinese New Year. The school suspension started after the Chinese New Year holiday. I went back to school in June, but the Education Bureau announced that we commenced our summer holiday early even though we had not finished the final exam.

In my past summer holidays, I could play with my friends and attend activities, such as STEM workshop, basketball and painting classes. However, this summer holiday is totally different. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, I needed to stay at home during the whole summer holiday in order to avoid the risk of being infected.

How could I kill my time? Looking at my summer holiday timetable, there was no activities marked on it. I felt frustrated. Apart from doing homework, I could just read books, draw pictures, play with LEGO bricks and do exercise as requested by mum.

To my surprise, watching TV news became my daily practice. I learnt from the news that there were signs of further proliferation of the epidemic in Hong Kong. The number of confirmed cases continued to increase. This made me worried.

Although this is the worst summer holiday I have ever experienced, I still learn a lot from it. You see, the medical officers were helping us to fight the virus. The patients, who were suffered COVID-19, were struggling to recover. Therefore, we must not add extra burden on medical officers. Thus, we should stay healthy, exercise more and have a balanced diet. This can protect us from suffering the harm caused by COVID-19.

An unforgiveable event in the summer

One day, my brother did an unforgivable thing to me. He didn't finish his practice that day. As a result, when our mother came back, he told her that I didn't teach him to do it. I was really innocent.

I was scolded, saying that I didn't do my duty well and my attitude towards my brother was still very bad. I really couldn't explain it at that time.

Until the next day, after my mother's anger vanished, I explained to her what had happened yesterday. So my mother told me. 'Ok, I know. I will punish your brother when I come back'. Then she went to work.

After she came back, she asked my brother seriously what had happened. In the end, my brother told her the truth and apologized to me.



An unexpected day

On 30th July, 2020, mum told me that I had to go to my father's office. When mum was telling me this, I was sad because I thought that would be very boring as usual.

In the evening, when I opened the office door, I was surprised that it was full of decorations. There were lots of Marvel balloons. My sister and her friends threw a surprise party for me.

They also prepared a hotpot meal with a lot of seafood. We enjoyed the meal very much. After a magnificent dinner, we played mahjong which I started learning it during this summer. Suddenly, my sister went to the kitchen and took out a cake. The cake was beautiful. It looked like a Rubik's cube. I also got some wonderful gifts.

In conclusion, I was very happy on that day, because everything was unexpected.



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"Don't run! Give me back the summer holiday!" I bellowed in the dream.

This summer, I couldn't join any outdoor activities because of COVID
19. We need to keep social distance. I couldn't do what I usually do in summer, such as swimming, going for a trip, playing basketball and hiking.

I like watching TV but I am spending time on interesting activities these days. I play with my cat with cat toys crazily. I read hilarious comics and exciting novels. I build many cool Gundam models and I bake some delicious cakes too.

Although sometimes I want to sneak out of home, I will stay home until the epidemic is over. I will fight against COVID-19.



Summer, please stay!

Summer is always the season I love most. Do you know why?

When I say "summer", what will you think of immediately? I believe most people will think it equals a long, long vacation. And they will start to plan different activities to enjoy or to plan where they can travel during the holiday.

Same as those people, I also like to join lots of summer activities or courses and I will go for long or short trips to relax with my family during the past summers. These are always the happiest days throughout the whole year. However, something changed this year. The serious coronavirus first found by the end of 2019 and spread quickly. It is still affecting people all over the world now.

Due to the seriousness of the COVID-19, Hong Kong government set many rules and regulations to avoid the virus from spreading, such as social distancing, wearing masks in public places, suspension of classes, working from home, etc. Restaurants were only allowed with tables for limited number of eaters and there was only take-away service after 6:00 pm. Due to all these measures, people were advised to stay at home all day long without normal activities or gatherings. So, in summer, most people avoided going out to meet others to prevent themselves from being infected. In other words, we couldn't go out for swimming, playing ball games, joining summer courses, visiting theme parks, touring around locally or outside Hong Kong during this summer.

I have never had such a boring and meaningless summer in my life. I really felt bad, but summer is almost ending this year. If possible, I really hope to restart or have an extended summer time to allow me to enjoy myself. Summer, can you please stay? Let me enjoy my favourite activities and have my happy time back!

An unexpected event in the summer

I've got an unexpected event in this summer. In the past summer holidays, I sometimes went to Japan with my family. But this summer, because of the COVID - 19, I could't go travelling but staying in Hong Kong.

I always stayed at home and play with my little sister. One day, while I was doing my homework, my grandma asked me if I wanted to learn how to cook. I immediately said yes! And she asked me to go into the kitchen to start cooking.

First, grandma told me to boil the water. Then, she taught me how to use the rice cooker to cook rice. After that, grandma taught me to wash the food. I thought cooking was fun.

The next day, mother taught me more things about cooking, such as cutting some tomatoes, peeling the skin of the fruit and frying some eggs.

After a week, I'd already learned a lot from my grandma and mother and even knew how to wash the dishes! From now on, I sometimes wash the dishes and cook breakfast for my family. I think it is so much fun learning how to cook and I will help my mother whenever she needs help. This is an unexpected event in the summer.