

AN INTERVIEW WITH HELENA TRANSCRIPT

When did you go to Hawaii?

I went to Hawaii during the Christmas of 2016 from Calgary, Canada, with my parents and younger brother.

How did you get there?

To get to Hawaii, we took a plane ride from Calgary to Seattle, Seattle-Hawaii.

How long did you stay there?

We stayed in Hawaii for 10 days.

What was your accommodation like?

We stayed on a campsite near the beach. Our tent was 2 minutes away from the ocean shore and in the mornings you could go and take a swim and in the evening you could go and watch the sunset.

Which islands did you visit?

We went to the island of Maui but we also visited Oahu.

What was the weather like?

The weather was really warm and sunny. It rained once but the water was warm so it didn't bother us.

• What were the people there like?

The people in Hawaii were very friendly and relaxed and they always spent the day tanning and surfing.

• Did you enjoy your stay?

I really enjoyed our vacation in Maui. We did a lot of cool things and visited a lot of cool places. It was really cool.

Talk about the things you did there.

We did many fun activities like kayaking and snorkeling and whale watching and we also visited some very famous monuments.

Did you have any problems during your stay?

One time when we were getting ready for lunch I stepped on a big thorn called kiawe. Luckily, it didn't hurt and we didn't have to go to the hospital.

Did you meet any interesting people?

Our kayak guide Roger was a very interesting person. He taught us a lot about whales, about how they communicate and how they migrate. He was really funny.

Did you notice the spirit of Aloha?

I really love the spirit of Aloha. The spirit of Aloha is more than just saying hi, it's a way of life.

Did you study during your holidays there?

Study? Of course, not!

Did you visit any historical places there?

We visited Pearl Harbor, the place where the Japanese Army attacked the American Fleet in 1941.

And the best attraction you visited?

The best attraction I visited in Maui was the Polynesian Cultural Center where we learned how to fish, how to play the ukulele and how to dance hula.

Did you buy any souvernirs?

We bought t-shirts, hats, this necklace and some posters.

• Did you like Hawaiian food?

I loved the grilled pork we had at the luau, which is a typical Hawaiian party.

• Tell us about the most interesting thing you did in Hawaii.

At the luau, me and my mom learned how to dance hula. Hula is a typical dance where the dance movements represent the words of the song.

Would you recommend going to Hawaii?

I would definitely recommend going to Hawaii. You can do some very cool activities and visit some very amazing places.