

# 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 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.