Thanksgiving Break

Thanksgiving break is a week off from work and school to spend time with family and friends, and relax. But for me, it's a week to clean my room, binge-watch movies, and exercise.

Coming from a week of school, I did not know what to expect since my family was preparing to move. They had planned to remodel the house since my brother began his college application, another reason we could not go anywhere. So, I sat down on the floor of my room, brainstorming on what to stimulate my child's brain with, staring at the mountains of junk atop my desk.

"I got it!" I said in my mind with a smile on my face. It was obvious; how could I have never thought of it? I would watch several movies that I had bought but never had the time to enjoy. I dashed to my entertainment room and loaded up the TV, quickly scrolling to find all my rentals.

"Pacific Rim". It's a movie about giant mechs and spiky lizard monsters.

I sat there for two hours, intrigued by the impressive, lifelike CGI and countless camera angles.

By the time I had finished, it was noon. It was time to find a new thing. I went back to the carpeted floor to brainstorm. I figured I could get some exercise in. Biking, that is what I would do. I walked over to my mom's studio office and asked.

"Can I go on a bike ride?"

"Oh, sure," she responded, "Just don't be out for too long."

"Okay," I said, running up the stairs to change clothes.

I biked down the street, and to Lacy Park. Admiring the city I had lived in for the past 14 years. I biked in a circle, and then out again, down to Carver Elementary school, and finally back home. By that time the sky had turned into a beautiful array of colors. Purple accents, with an orange skyline, and purple clouds like grapes in the sky.

I finally arrived home at around 3:00 for my last activity, cleaning my room, with the help of my mom.

This week, I have finally learned the true meaning of a staycation: to do what I want whenever I want. Yes, unwind and relax, take a break from my normal day, and clean my room.

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