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### A Letter My Mother Gave Me Some Years Ago

I was given an unusual present from my family. It made me realize the importance of family and how kind my parents have been to me. My mother gave me a letter some years ago. She wrote it for me just after she discovered her pregnancy. She had not decided my name at that time; therefore, she began writing with "Dear my sweet xxxxx." The letter described her happiness and expectations. In addition, she wrote that my parents and my grandfather were very pleased when they found out she was pregnant. The letter was full of her love. I could not help crying after reading it because I was extremely moved.

However, I was sorry for my parents when I was given the letter. The reason is because I was not a very good daughter for them. At times, I was not kind to them because I was a rebellious adolescent. I was not smart and obedient, so they often scolded me. Therefore, our relationship got worse. Everyone did not want to come back home because there were often quarrels. I think my mother tried to change our bad relationship. She gave the letter to me when I was thirteen years old. Then, her attempt succeeded. I apologized to them and tried to change my attitude. Her letter gave me a chance to make up.

Now, I write and send letters to my mother every holidays. For example, I wrote her on her birthday, Christmas, and so on. She likes being given a letter rather than a present. I express my feeling of my gratitude, happiness, and love to my family. Thanks to her unusual

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gift, our family's relationship became better. It motivates me to continue writing letters and being kind to them.