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Outdoor recreations such as mountain climbing, camping and hiking bring us closer to nature and are ideal activities to encourage family bonding. Do you agree with the statements above? Use specific reasons and examples to support your answer.

1. Brainstorming

involve hardship -> bound family together fresh air, things only available from outdoors

2. Outlining

- Introduction
- Mt. Hanla: famous tourist attraction
- some people cast doubt
- Opinion: agree
- Body
- 1. differentiate people's life and nature experience -> special
- nearby surrounding isolate people from nature
- outdoor activities : provide splendid experiences
- ex: fresh air, new creature, etc
- 2, hardship
- outdoor activities : awkward
- during adjustments: family help each other
- ex : mountain climbing
- 3. share memories
- rare chance to visit nature
- special -> reminiscence
- Conclusion

3. Essay Writing

Mt. Hanla, a mountain located in the Korean island of Jeju, is reputed to be one of the best tourist attractions for families in the world. A variety of enjoyable activities which help family relationships to be solidified await visitors, and remarkable experiences in nature are obtainable there. However, some people cast doubts on the helpful functions of such outdoor activities. Countering these thoughts, I firmly believe that external activities bound the family together and help contacting to the nature. The statement is supported in three different aspects: distinctiveness, hardships, and memories.

First and foremost, outdoor activities are unique enough to differentiate people's regular life from experiences in the nature. Nowadays, nearby surroundings – overdeveloped facilities, residences rife with amenities, excessively high skyscrapers, cars and factories emitting harmful gases – have isolated people from the nature, and overshadowed memories of its true essence. However, outdoor activities such as climbing, hiking, and camping provides the people with splendid experiences that they have never been, and will never be able to obtain from their life in urbanized cities. For instance, they will breath fresh and clean air, discover new creatures, and gain visual refreshment. These unique experiences will remain in the people's mind as meaningful memories, which plays important roles in improving their view toward the nature.

Second of all, recreations conducted in external surroundings mostly involve hardships. Due to the people's inclination to stay indoors, outdoor recreations have become awkward activities for them. As a result, families get to encounter difficulties in overcoming clumsiness and unfamiliarity of such activities. During these adjustments, situations in which family members help each other occur, and kinship forms from the thought that the whole family has undergone same difficulties. For example, a majority of modern people find it difficult to climb mountains, especially when they are accompanied by their family. Some of the family might fall behind, and family bond increases by giving assistance to them.

Last but not least, outdoor recreations also enable families to share certain memories together. Since modern people barely visit the nature, as mentioned before, conducting outdoor recreations turns out to be a special moment in the life. Owing to their rarity and uniqueness to modern people, related memories leave as a reminiscence to their minds. If they visit with their family, these reminiscences would also include memories with the family.

In a nutshell, outside activities play essential roles in solidifying family

relationships and providing unique experiences related to nature. This is due to uniqueness of experiences in nature, difficulties and reminiscences that enhance family relationship.

4. Speaking

Agree

- 1. distinctiveness
- experiences in nature : x obtained from daily life
- distinctiveness -> great first imp
- 2. hardships -> enhance rel within family
- x used to activities in nature
- ex : climbing mountain : help who fall behind