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In Brazil we take beach volleyball seriously. I am going to tell you [redacted] a tournament that took place last Summer. It was a beautiful sunny day and [redacted] of families and friends turned [redacted]. There was a great atmosphere with picnics and barbecues. Teams of two girls from up and [redacted] the coast joined in. At first, groups of teams played a set [redacted] each other to see who [redacted] go through to the last sixteen. This first part of the competition was just fun but the knock-out part was [redacted] serious. By the time we got to the semi-finals we realised we [redacted] a chance of winning. We won [redacted] first set easily but lost the second. In the final one the others got a big lead and needed one [redacted] point. Their Captain was [redacted] tense she lost control of a smash and the ball was just out. She got really angry with the umpire! [redacted] we fought [redacted] to get level and everyone was shouting encouragement. The others just gave up and we got the points we needed. We [redacted] sorry, but not too sorry, for the other girls, after [redacted] there's only one winner! Also, we were [redacted] exhausted to feel very much else.