The trip that changed everything!



1. Read about the trip that changed everything!

Last summer, something unexpected happened to me. My name is Lucas, and I always preferred staying at home rather than going on adventures. However, everything changed when my three best friends, Daniel, Sophie, and Emma, invited me on a weekend trip to a small mountain village.
At first, I didn't want to go because I thought the trip would be boring. But my friends insisted, so I packed my backpack, took my camera, and left home early on Saturday morning.
After a two-hour journey, we arrived at the village. The place was beautiful! There were green mountains, small rivers, and colorful houses. We rented a little cabin near the forest and decided to explore the area.

While we walked through a narrow path, Sophie noticed something unusual between the trees. It was an old wooden box. We looked at each other and wondered what was inside. Daniel opened it carefully and found an old photograph, a small compass, and a handwritten letter.
The letter belonged to a young traveler who visited the village many years ago. He wrote about a hidden waterfall and explained how to find it using the compass. We became very excited and decided to follow the instructions.

We walked for almost an hour, crossed a small river, and climbed a rocky path. Finally, we heard the sound of water. When we arrived, we couldn't believe our eyes! A beautiful waterfall appeared in front of us. The water was clear, the trees were enormous, and the place was completely peaceful.
We took pictures, swam in the water, and enjoyed the afternoon together. Before returning to the cabin, we left the letter and the photograph inside the box for another traveler to discover.

That weekend taught me something important: sometimes the best experiences happen when we leave our comfort zone. I didn't expect to enjoy the trip, but it became one of the most unforgettable experiences of my life. I also realized that friendship, curiosity, and adventure can turn an ordinary weekend into an extraordinary memory.

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Reading comprehension activities.

Activity 1: multiple choice option

1. **Why didn't Lucas want to go on their trip at first?**
   a. He didn't like his friends.
   b. He thought the trip would be boring.
   c. He didn't have a backpack.

2. **What did Lucas take with him?**
   a. A camera and a backpack.
   b. A computer and some books.
   c. A bicycle and a map.

3. **What did the friends find inside the wooden box?**
   a. Money and jewelry.
   b. Food and water.
   c. A photograph, a compass, and a letter.

4. **How did the friends discover the waterfall?**
   a. They followed the instructions in the letter.
   b. A local person showed them the way.
   c. They found it on a map.

Activity 2: true or false

1. Lucas traveled with three friends (_____)
2. The friends stayed in a hotel in the city (_____)
3. Lucas regretted going on the trip (_____)

Activity 3: Matching

Match the past simple verbs with their infinitive forms.

Column A – Past Simple	Column B – Base Form
1. Found	a. Take
2. Went	b. Find
3. Took	c. Go

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