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Prompt: Spring Break is a time when many families choose to go on vacations. What is your favorite place to go, and why?

“Where strangers become friends and friendship lasts forever.” This quote is from a link I found on Pinterest about sleepaway camp. This quote is special to me because I went to sleepaway camp in Maine on Lake Cobbosseecontee with a bunch of total strangers and ended up leaving with friends forever. When I attend sleepaway camp I forget everything about school and life. Sleepaway camp is the highlight of my summer. Even though I've been there once, campers can make lifelong friends and do things they never dreamed of doing. Over 11 million kids and adults come to sleepaway camp every year. Camp is awesome. Camp is magnificent. Camp is athletic.



Water sports at camp are awesome, amazing, and athletic. The activities during water sports time are water skiing, canoeing, paddle boarding, boating, and fishing. During water skiing the speed boat is fun and fast; you get soaking wet when you're on the skis. It's like flying on water. Canoeing and kayaking involve teamwork and paddling in sync but it's always fun when the boat tips over. Paddle boarding is almost canoeing and kayaking but you have one paddle. During free swim, you get to jump on the water trampoline, jump off the floating docks, fly down the slide, and swim in the lake wearing life jackets. Water sports at camp are always fun, cold and wet.

Color wars at Camp Kippewa are awesome, athletic, and long and cool. You get to dress up in red and white for your team's color. You start the morning off by eating breakfast with the people on your team and then go clean the cabins and change into swimsuits and get ready for the swim competitions. During the swim competitions, everyone either swims in the swim races or competes in the canoeing and boating competitions. After competitions everyone heads to the silent lunch, and if someone talks the team gains a point. Whoever has the least amount of points loses. The third part of color wars is the games. They involve the water balloon toss, toilet papering people, and other backyard games. The second to last activity is the relay, in which every camper gets to participate, and the fire building competition. The final of the color wars is the sing-off, where each team sings songs and the judges add up all the points and determine the winner.

The Fourth of July at Kippewa is loud, crazy, and fun. You start the day off with a lip-sync battle with crazy costumes. After that, each bunk sets up its carnival booth. Everyone rotates from booth to booth eating carnival food and going through the trampoline park winning games and prizes. After a fun barbecue and bingo, everyone dresses up in red, white and blue, doing makeup and trading clothes. Soon after everyone's dressed we all head down to the lake and pick places to lay out chairs and sit down and watch the fireworks, which are very loud and colorful. Girls also have a competition to see how **loudly** they can scream. This is what makes Kippewa so great during the Fourth of July.

Sleepaway camp is my favorite place where I can be athletic in a color war, dress up during the Fourth of July, and swim in the lake during water sports. All of this combined makes an extraordinarily awesome place to meet the most amazing people. The greatness of camp brings out totally different sides of people, changes them, and gives them the chance to be different. Being around different people helps others meet people that they would never think of meeting. When I'm at camp I'm able to relax, cherish, and savor everything for a couple of weeks.