

Challenges I Overcame This Past Year

Have you ever thought that C-19 was annoying? For me, it was very annoying. First, it was annoying to wear a mask every day. Second, learning to use zoom and online school was pretty challenging. Third, I usually go to Taiwan every summer, but this year COVID 19 did not let me go and see my family there. But, I was able to overcome these challenges by getting used to wearing a mask, my teacher and parents helped to get used to using zoom and online school, and I video called my family in Taiwan.

The first challenge for me was wearing a mask every single day and my solution was getting used to wearing it by distracting myself with something else. One time when I was hiking on a mountain, I thought I forgot my mask. So, I told my mom, "Mom I think I forgot my mask." My mom then said, "It's on your chin silly!" I laughed because it was on my chin! I forgot that I was wearing a mask because I was looking at the little yellow flowers on the mountain, and did not feel my mask anymore. Another reason is that I got used to it.

Another challenge is getting used to using zoom and online school but, my teacher and parents were there to help me. On my first day of school, I was very shy. Also, I did not know where the chat box was when the teacher asked me to send something to her. I was very confused about how to use the chatbox. So, I asked my mom for help. My mom showed me how to use the chatbox and where the chat box was. Since that day I have used the chatbox whenever I needed help from the teacher.

On Chinese New Year, after a feast of the steam bun, corn soup, lamb, and dumplings, I video called my grandparents. They did not pick up right away, it took 30 seconds until they picked up. To be honest I do not like to video call my grandparents. My dad forces me to talk to my grandparents. He told me to practice my speech in front of them and do not to like to. I don't like to because they always clap for me when I am finished. I do not like when people clap for me because I am a very shy person.

In conclusion, I overcame many challenges this past year. I was able to overcome these three challenges by getting used to wearing a mask, getting help from my parents and teacher with online school, and using video calls to talk to my family in Taiwan. What challenges did you overcome this past year?