Everything

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I am grateful for some things.

Like my friends, my family, and everyone around me in school.

Those are the people who help me to be a better person most of the time.

A lot of people say that they are grateful for their parents, and I agree with that,

because of all the things they have done for me.

However, being thankful for your parents and your friends or peers is different.

I really really appreciate everything my parents have helped me with,

my mom and dad were always there for me when I was hurt.

They bought me so many toys and got me most of the things I wanted and everything I needed.

With my friends and my schoolmates, I am grateful for them too.

In 5th grade, we were the big fish in the fishbowl,

In 6th grade, we were the small fish in the ocean,

Next year, in 8th grade, we'll be the biggest fish again.

All the people in all of the schools I've been to taught me many things,

how to not be too weird, how to be nicer to people, and how to make friends.

When I was 8, I moved to Hawaii.

It was absolutely beautiful.

The grass was lush and green, the houses were lovely, but most importantly,

the people were really welcoming.

As soon as I got there, I was friends with everybody in my class and everybody around me because they were so kind.

Some people say that it is paradise because of all the beaches,

And that was true, the beaches were nice, but they weren't the star of the show.

The people were,

I vividly remember getting ice cream with my mom,

and the guy gave me an extra big scoop of it,

just to be nice.

I also remember falling in front of a lady's home,

my knee was scraped badly, so I cried and cried and cried.

She saw me and came out with a Band-Aid and a glass of water.

When I moved here in 2021, the friends that I have now taught me how to be normal and not too different.

I am really grateful for the school, I learned how to talk from everybody and how to dress,

some people say you should just be yourself and not try to be like others.

However, sometimes being like other people is good,

it helps you make more friends and develops you in a way.

All in all, I am grateful for every experience I had in my life and everybody around me.

I'm very glad I got to live in Hawaii, it made me a better person.

I'm very glad I got to live here in Maryland, the people also made me a better person.

I'm very glad I got to experience those things in my life, and I'm happy that there is more to come.