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Visiting Alcatraz



I hope we can go to Alcatraz this time I thought when me and my mom where looking up Alcatraz tickets. I have been reading and looking up pictures of it.

We have not been able to go yet because all of the times I wanted to go the tickets where sold out!! I hope this year is lucky. I would be so disappointed if we can't go. the first time I

went to California I asked my mom "what is that place"? She said that is "Alcatraz it was a prison , but not just any prison it was the hardest to escape and the hardest working prison at the time in history".

Ever since she told me that I have always wanted to go. And eventually we got to go to Alcatraz!!!





the main cell house is the most visited part of Alcatraz I think that is pretty obvious. It took all day to finish the main cells, we almost didn't go to the gift shop.

It was an awesome sight walking off of the ferry and walking up to Alcatraz. It was a nice bright warm day there was a lot of old houses and hallways that I walked through were wet and damp just as I would think. As I walked up to the cell house I pictured me as one of the prisoners walking up these stairs and I thought it must have been really hard to be a prisoner on Alcatraz back then.

Alcatraz they named the cell hallways, for example they named them names like Hollywood and Broadway. And they named the little area with the clock tower square. They had examples of how these cells looked like back when it was still running. I was able to actually go in one of the cells. The cells had numbers on top of the cell. The number on the cell was the number that the officers called you. I got to go in the cell 113. It was very cool .



After we finished the main cells we moved on to the insulation room and the C and D block. They were away from the main cells. The insulation room and the C and D block were this long hallway with a guard above the exits. This section of the main cells were for the prisoners that were misbehaving.

The next place we went to is the library and the recreation yard. The library was a big area with metal bars all around it. There were about 10 bookshelves. Only the prisoners that were acting good could check out books. The recreation yard was a big concrete yard with barbed wire all around the top. The

prisoners got to play baseball and other games.

The kitchen was a cafeteria with holes in the ceiling for sleeping gas. The kitchen was not any more happy than any other place indoors. The windows had bars on them and the tables and chairs were chained to the floor.

This was a really fun experience for me because I learned new stuff that was not in the books that I read so I learned things that were more detailed than the books. When me and my mom went on the fairy I said I hope this will be amazing! It was amazing because I got to spend more time with my mom without my sister.

MAIN CELLS

