

Dear Alex,

Hey! I hope you're doing well. I just got back from the most amazing trip and couldn't wait to tell you all about it!

Last week, my family and I went to Yellowstone National Park. Let me tell you, it was an absolute blast! The first thing we did was visit Old Faithful. I had seen pictures before, but witnessing it erupt in person was even more exciting—huge jets of steam shot straight into the sky! We all cheered when the water soared up. Honestly, I felt like I was on another planet.

After that, we went hiking along the Mystic Falls trail. I nearly slipped in a muddy spot (don't laugh!), but managed to stay upright. The view from the top was worth every step—there was a waterfall crashing into a sparkling river, surrounded by tall pine trees and wildflowers everywhere. I tried taking photos, but somehow, they just don't capture how beautiful it really was.

One of the funniest moments was when a chipmunk tried to sneak into our picnic! Dad had to chase it off, but the little guy was determined. We ended up sharing a few crumbs—he earned them for effort!

I also got to see bison up close (not too close, don't worry!). It was so cool to watch them grazing around the wide open fields. Mom even spotted a bear from the car, but I was too busy snacking to notice. Typical me, right?

Every night, we sat around a campfire telling stories and roasting marshmallows. As the stars came out and the air got chilly, I felt so happy and peaceful. I wish you were there too—we would've made even more epic memories!

Anyway, that's my Yellowstone adventure! Hopefully, we can plan a trip together someday soon. Write back and let me know how you're doing. Miss you!

Take care,  
Sam