

## With Mom, always!

They say a mother is your first friend, your best critic, and your biggest cheerleader - all rolled into one. On the occasion of Mother's Day, we bring together a collection of heartfelt memories penned by Amitians, each incident woven with unconditional love. From stolen gossip moments to silent midnight comforts, these stories remind us that the most powerful memories are often tucked in the simplest of gestures. So, here's to mothers, our forever constants, and to the memories that make us who we are.



### Experience of a lifetime

When I went with my mother for a long-awaited vacation to a beach, we started early in the morning, and it took six hours to get there. We checked into our hotel, located at the beachfront. I loved the sound of the waves hitting the shore. We quickly changed into our swimsuits and headed to the beach. I played with my mother in the water. And once we got tired, we stood in the water. I could feel the water, the sand between my toes, and the warm sun on my skin while holding my mother's hand. We looked at the sunset and made wonderful memories.

-Lakshita Sharma, AIS Vas 1, IV C



### A Trove of memories

Some memories stay carved deep in our hearts and one such memory for me was my three-day trip to Manali with my mother - just the two of us surrounded by snow-capped mountains and pine-covered valleys. We played in the snow at Rohtang Valley, drove through Atal Tunnel, went on a boat ride, and walked hand-in-hand on the Mall Road, sipping hot chocolate. I realised that the trip wasn't about ticking places off a list; it was about bonding and soaking in moments that felt like magic. I'll carry this simple yet unforgettable memory, always.

-Lakshyaa Maheshwari, AIS Gur 46, IV B



### God sent angel

My mother and I have weaved many beautiful memories but the one closest to my heart is our evening strolls. We speak our hearts out and talk about how our day went, which includes both the happy and sad moments. No matter how good or bad, we lift each other's mood and have some fun moments together like we giggle over silly things and sometimes enjoy delicious ice cream on our way back home. To sum it up, I would say that these memories which I created with my mother will be cherished forever.

-Aarohi Mittal, AIS Noida, IV F

### A supermom indeed

While I have many cherished memories with my mother, there is one that stands out the most. I am an Indian Contemporary dancer and recently had a performance. However, a few days before the performance, I fell ill. I couldn't go to the dance class to pick up the final steps. I felt helpless, but my mother did the unthinkable for me. She went to the dance academy and learned the steps from my Guru. Once I recovered, she patiently taught me, step by step, what to do. It was then I realised that she could do anything for me! She is the best mother in the world, my best friend, my first teacher, and my biggest supporter.

-Nandini Ray, AGS Noida, LS1



### Recollections at the beach

In March, my mother made an impromptu plan, a surprise visit to a beach in Visakhapatnam. We visited Rushikonda Beach and were spellbound by its blue water, golden sands, and tidy waves of the Bay of Bengal. I stood at the beach, holding my mother's hand tightly. The sand may brush off, the salt may wash away, and the tan may fade away, but this memory will last forever in my heart.

-Ridhaansh Jain, AIS Gur 43, V C



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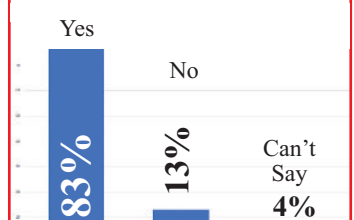
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