

Things To Do This Spring Break

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Spring in New Jersey is a time when nature comes alive, flowers start blooming, and weather is perfect for outdoors. Hiking, visiting the beach, and discovering small towns – whatever your heart desires, New Jersey is full of excellent places to explore in spring. Here are a few of the best spring places in New Jersey.

1. Branch Brook Park (Newark)

The most visited spring site in New Jersey is Branch Brook Park in Newark. Branch Brook Park is famous for its cherry blossoms, and it holds a record for having America's largest collection of such trees! In spring, its trees bloom in shades of vibrant pink and white, and it's a view to behold. Visitors go to stroll through its park and photograph its blossoms. Branch Brook Park even organizes a Cherry Blossom Festival, with events, music, and food.

Why go?

Beautiful cherry blossoms
Perfect for a stroll, picnic, and photos
Cherry Blossom Festival

2. Cape May

The seaside village of Cape May at the southernmost tip of New Jersey is a pretty spring vacation location. In spring, weather is mild and it's an ideal time to go. Walk down to the beach, tour the famous Cape May Lighthouse, or stroll through the vibrant Victorian houses in the village. In spring, it's also the start of birdwatching, when birds stop at Cape May during migration.

Why go?

Colorful Victorian buildings
Peaceful quiet beaches perfect for resting
Good for birdwatching

3. The Delaware Water Gap

If you're a fan of hiking and the outdoors, then the Delaware Water Gap is your best bet. This part of the state, located near the Delaware River, is home to some of the state's most beautiful hiking trails. In spring, forests become a sea of green, and you can see waterfalls including Dingmans Falls and Silver Thread Falls. The weather is perfect for outdoor activities such as kayaking, hiking, and fishing.

Reasons to go?

Beautiful hiking trails and waterfalls
Perfect for outdoors such as kayaking and hiking
Beautiful view of the Delaware River

4. Princeton

Princeton is a city with rich history and prestigious Princeton University. In spring, the campus is breathtaking with flowers blooming as you stroll through pretty gardens. Don't miss a trip to the Princeton University Art Museum, where you can see a variety of artwork representing cultures and eras from all over the world. Princeton is full of pretty shops, restaurants, and cafes to enjoy, too.

Reasons to go?

Beautiful campus with flowers and gardens
Great history and heritage
Lots of restaurants and shops to enjoy

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5. Hoboken

For a city spring break, Hoboken is a winner with its pretty view of Manhattan's skyscrapers over the Hudson River. In spring, you can walk down to the riverfront, enjoy the parks, and indulge in restaurants in the city. Hoboken is famous for its pizza and its bakeries. It is a perfect location to indulge in a tasty meal and enjoy pretty weather and views.

Reasons to go?

Beautiful view of Manhattan

Great restaurants and food

Perfect for a spring family day out

6. Island Beach State Park

If you're a fan of the beach, Island Beach State Park is a must during spring. Lying near the ocean, the park takes full advantage of its natural beauty and serene beaches. It is best visited in spring, when the weather is warm enough for a beach trip but not filled with summertime vacationers. Stroll down the beach, go for a bike ride, or even glimpse at native wildlife such as birds and deer.

Why go?

Lovely, peaceful beaches

Great for outdoor activity such as hiking and bicycling

Great for nature lovers

Conclusion

Spring in New Jersey is a magical period, with numerous options for viewing nature, visiting historic towns, and enjoying the outdoors. Hike in the Delaware Water Gap, see the cherry blossoms in Newark, or enjoy a beach in Cape May. New Jersey will have something for everyone to enjoy during spring. So, grab your coat and head out to see whatever the Garden State holds for you!

Wonder Girls Trip

Ava Pimentel

The day before the trip the Wonder Girls held a meeting with a guest who was telling them about teamwork with others. An activity was done to help with teamwork. The girls were put into groups of four to see who could build the tallest tower with marshmallows, dry spaghetti, scissors and tape. This was to help with communicating with others. This was a harder challenge than it seemed. Many teams had difficulties keeping the structure up. This activity was a great way to build teamwork.

Wonder Girls Trip Part 2

The Wonder Girls went on a trip to the Rising Above Bakery. This was a bakery in Nyack, New York. They made heart shaped cookies and decorated bigger heart shaped cookies. This was a great experience and it would be amazing to go back there again.



Mad Libs

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If you're unfamiliar with how to play...

This is a simple two player game in which players will create silly sentences that (most likely) will not make sense. First, player 1 will ask player 2 (numbered for explaining purposes), to say a word that fills the description. Player 1 will write these answers in the blanks. By the end, players can review these sentences and try to make sense of them.

If you need a reminder:

Noun: A person, place, or thing

Adjective: A word that modifies or describes a noun

Verb: A word that describes an action

Example:

Today, I went to a/an (noun) and (verb) a/an (noun) next to the famous (a celebrity).

(Filled in):

Today, I went to an amusement park and drove a boat next to the famous Taylor Swift.

Hey _____, Spring
(name)

Do you like spring? Well I do, because there is so much to do. Spending _____ days under the sun is one of the many activities I enjoy.
(adjective)

On nice days I _____ on _____ and eating _____.
(verb) (noun)

The days that aren't so nice, I spend them inside watching _____.
(noun)

while I'm _____. In spring, flowers start to bloom. I find it so _____.
(noun)

_____ how _____ flowers are. Some even smell like _____
(ending in -ly) (adjective)

_____ (how strange right?). Let's hangout at the _____.
(noun)

next time, I'm sure we can enjoy spring together. _____
(noun)

Yours _____,
(ending in -ly)

_____ (ending in -ing) _____
(name)

School Field Trip

Hi _____,
(name)

On a _____, (would you believe it?) we went to the museum of _____
(day of the week)

_____ and _____, and it was so much fun!!! We were _____
(noun) (noun) (ending in -ing)

so uncontrollably that a teacher even asked if we were okay. There was a _____ statue of a _____, that conquered confusing
(adjective) (noun)

emotions. Some students were _____, while others sat _____.
(verb) (ending in -ly)

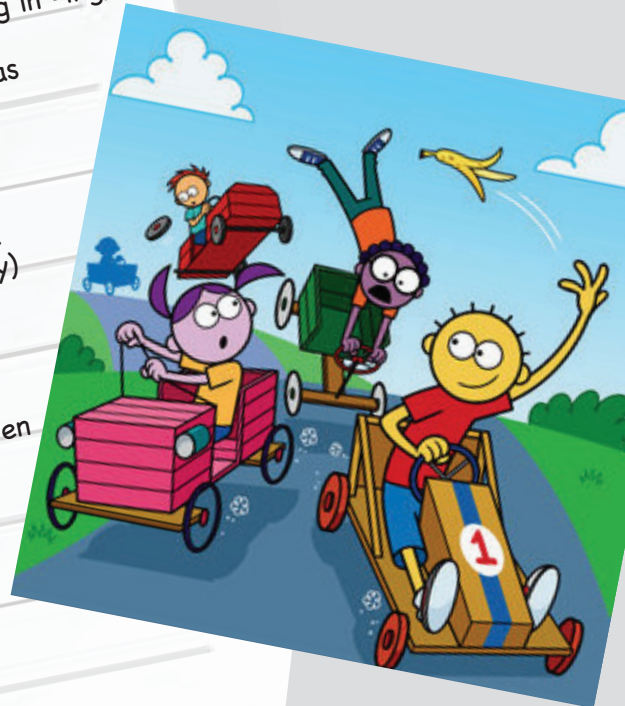
Other things we did at the museum included eating _____, and
(noun)

walking on _____. I would like to go there again, maybe even
(noun)

with you!

Yours _____,
(ending in -ly)

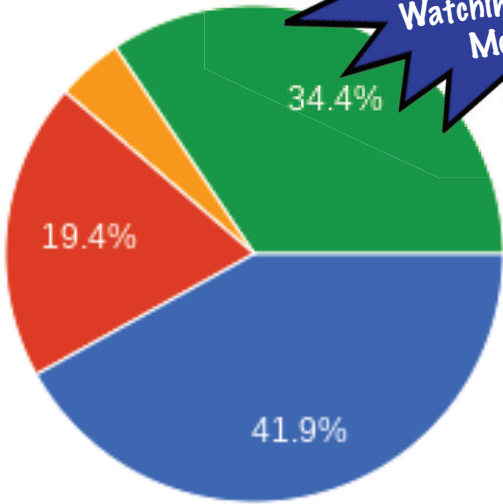
_____ (name)
(adjective)



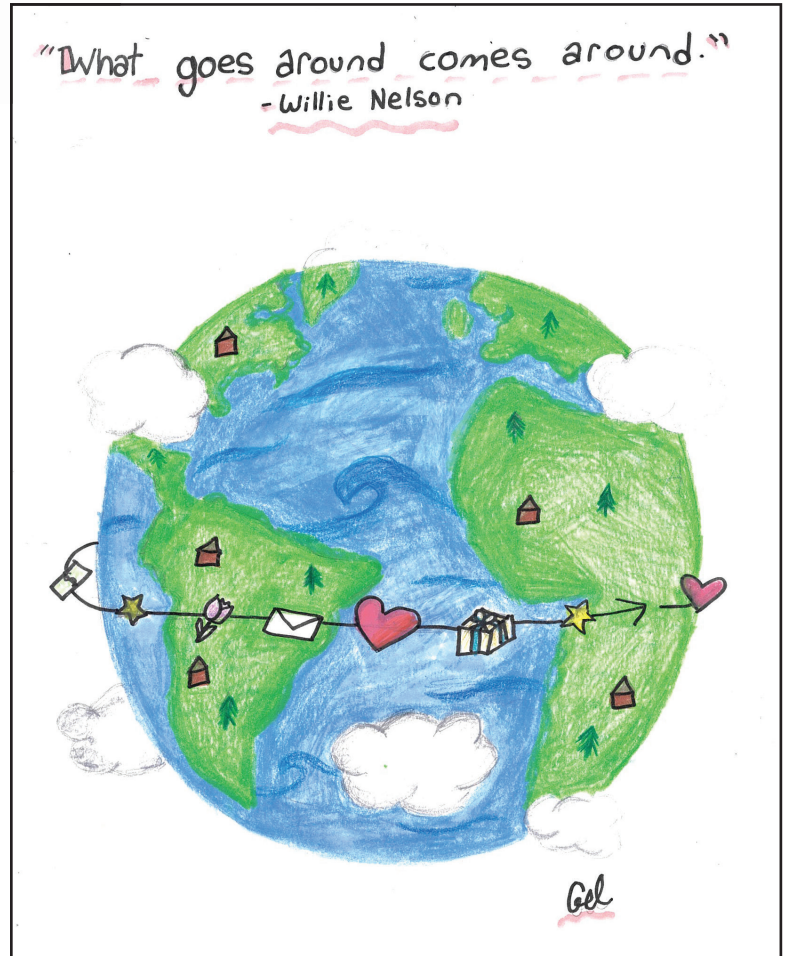
Favorite Winter Activity

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and the winner is....
Watching Holiday Movies



- Watching holiday movies
- Ice skating
- Skiing
- Any other activities



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What's Your Favorite Spring Activity?

Jayda'a Abuali

and the winner is....
go on a nice walk

