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Thanksgiving is coming and this is the perfect time to remember what we are thankful for. I am thankful for many things that other people may think are nothing to be grateful for. One thing that I am dearly thankful for is the fact that my family is full of nice people and that nobody has gotten divorced in my family. My family is very large. There is Aunt Tia, Aunt Jo Jo, Carla, Ian, Uncle Brad, Uncle Mykl, Sophie, Joseph, Elena, Cam, Grandma, Grandpa, Mom, Dad, Ryan and myself. This does not include the babies that Aunt Tia and Carla are having. Everybody in my family is a thing to be grateful for because everyone is friendly. On events like Easter, Christmas, Christmas Eve, Thanksgiving or just when the family is in town, we all pitch in in bringing food and setting the table. It's great having a family with so many helping hands.

Many people would say that food is nothing to be grateful for but it really is. The fact that my family can afford food is great because some people have to go to soup kitchens and other places that get donations for people that can't afford food. Overseas there is trouble getting clean water. Some people over there have to drink powdered milk and/or filthy water while we get filtered water. Also, I get quite nutritious food and a wide variety while soup kitchens must rely on what is donated.

There are many things to be thankful for, so one last thing I am thankful for is my home. I have a nice sized home and spacious yard to play in. For example, my family usually has bonfires with friends and all the kids play ghost in the graveyard and mafia. As well as that, Ryan and I will occasionally have snowball fights, go sledding and build snowmen. My home is really nice and we are even adding an addition to our house! Finally, there is the fact that my family can heat and cool the house easily when others work to get wood for a fire or don't have the money for cooling. Overall there are big and small things to be grateful for in life, even if you don't notice it.