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SLN and RBC launched a contest called Thank You Mom & Dad.

Over 55,000 Canadian students wrote beautiful stories expressing why their parents deserved to win \$20,000 from RBC.

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Taylor Losak, a Bradford DHS student wins.

And this is how she surprised her parents.

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Taylor: Okay, so it's my Dad's birthday today. So we're going to have all the family over, everyone's going to be chilling in the pool and stuff, having a barbeque. And then I'll say 'Hey guys, I have one last present'. And we'll get you. And then they'll read these letters and be super surprised.

So the house is here, and then there's a like a barn where you guys can kind of park beside on the road.

Steve: Okay.

Taylor: And then we're going to be like back here, so you can't see us.

Steve: Her sister's going to be filming that experience so we're able to sneak the sister in rogue as our camera person from the inside.

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Steve: Alright, how're you feeling?

Taylor: Good.

One more special gift.

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SLN Guy: What're you typing?

Steve: I'm just letting her that we're here and that we're beside the brown barn.

[To Taylor] Do you have the letters?

Taylor: Yeah.

Steve: Okay cool.

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Taylor:

Dear Mom and Dad,

A few months ago I came across an opportunity with RBC. It was a campaign called Thank You Mom and Dad. I wrote a story to share what the both of you mean to me. How you've always been my rock. Well, a couple of weeks ago, I got a call out of nowhere. And, we won Thank You Mom and Dad. Out of thousands of submissions from students across Canada, we were chosen. We won \$20,000 and a trip for the two of you to Punta Cana. A well deserved vacation.

This is just a small way that I get to truly say thank you, for everything. I love you guys to the moon and back.

Love T.

RBC Guy: Nice Job. Wow.

Taylor's Dad: What can we tell you, it's really great.

Special thanks to all the SLNers who submitted thank you stories. They were both beautiful and inspiring.

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SLN guy: So what do you think about Taylor surprising her parents today?

Taylor's Great Grandma: It's unbelievable. Unbelievable.

SLN guy: Have you ever seen anything like that happen?

Taylor's Great Grandma: No, I haven't, and it's one of the biggest thrills of my life.