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What was the name of the man at Oakhill Country Club who thought he was interviewing their dad?	Mr. Anderson	296

What did Knox say when Mr. Anderson asked him why he wanted to be a country club supervisor (thinking he was talking to Knox's dad)?	He loved countries and clubs	296
What did Knox tell Mr. Anderson he had experience in?	Working with tight deadlines, managing time, and dealing with demanding clients and kids	296
What did Mr. Anderson say his son did with the cereal?	He ate all the cereal and then filled the box with paper clips	297
What did Knox (pretending to be his dad) tell Mr. Anderson his kids did that made Mr. Anderson laugh?	They sold his wife's anniversary earrings for a quarter at their garage sale	297
How did they know the phone interview Knox (pretending to be his dad) did with Mr. Anderson was successful?	Mr. Anderson said he would have his secretary, Martha, set up a face-to-face interview	297
Where would their dad have to fly to in order to get to California from Hong Kong for \$1,000?	Los Angeles	298
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How did some people in the grocery store line echo their mom in support?	When she said not to be mean and racist, they clapped for her.	302



What happened after Lao Lao and Lao Ye's restaurant was vandalized and racist graffiti painted on the walls?	A cleaning crew washed it away for free, a rabbi brought flowers, and singers and musicians performed for free in front of the restaurant	305
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What Chinese method did Lao Lao teach Bowen, and then Bowen taught Lea, to count?	Counting knuckles on her fist	319
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What program did students use to turn in schoolwork remotely?	Google Classroom	330

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How did Mr. Brady define essential workers?	People whose job was critical in order for society to function	325
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How did Knox feel when they stuck the swab into his nose to test for Covid?	Like he just ate too much wasabi	334
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How did Knox create his lockbox password, 1-4-6?	It was the months of their three birthdays	337
When Knox worried that he might die, what did he tell Bowen he wanted to give to him and Lea?	To Bowen his stamps and to Lea his soccer match cards	337

What belongings of Bowen did Knox keep inside his lockbox?	Bowen's elementary school certificates for being Best at Reading and Best at Chinese	337
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