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Like every summer, we went on a vacation. Like most summers, it was a beach vacation. Like most vacations, my son's autism made the trip more challenging. Would I still go for a vacation next year? Yes, of course! I can't let meltdowns and anxieties come in the way of a new adventure.

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Sheldon Cooper doesn't have autism, or that's what The Big Bang Theory writers have always claimed. Speaking on behalf of the show, Mayim Bialik (who plays Sheldon's girlfriend) told Neil deGrasse Tyson that the show's writers refuse to pathologize their characters, because everyone should be loved and accepted without labels. Sheldon himself denies being autistic, [...]

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