What I Like and Don't Like about Manzanar by Ryoko Yano

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I like Manzanar because it is so near to the mountains and the air is so much purer up here. I like the cold water and the dry air that evaporates moisture so quick. I also like the bright stars and the clearness of the sky at night. The lazy summer days when we lie under the big shady trees where it is so peaceful and quiet, that we like to talk about the happy times we've had back home.

I don't like Manzanar because of the dust storms and the strong winds. I don't like living among only Japanese people and living in quarters which are so close together. I like to live among caucasians and people of other nationalities. I think Manzanar is making some people too lazy for the work is not so strenuous and there are not as many worries here and bills to pay.