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COVID-19 made me lose my job but it also made me rejoin a hobby I missed so much. When I was younger my dad and I used to go fishing everyday but that's when I lived out in country where a pond was nearby so when we moved into town, I lost the hobby I loved so much. Coronavirus has made it really hard for me to hang out with my friends because all of our parents and worried about us getting COVID-19. After being bored in my house for 3 days I decided I wanted to get out of the house and do something, so I went online and bought my fishing license, dusted off my old tackle box and headed towards the local campground that had a lake the first day there was very boring I didn't catch anything I didn't even get a bite. The

very next day my dad and I went to a different spot and that's where things changed my fourth cast out into the water, I caught a tiny large-mouth bass. After walking around the lake stopping every 30-40 yards to fish another spot, I found a little cove and threw my line in. One after another I caught 3 fish but then it got dark, so we had to leave. Since that day I've been going fishing all over Iowa, 2 days ago I drove 100+ miles just to go fishing at a spot I've never been to just because I have nothing better to do. COVID-19 may have ruined my previous plans, but it's definitely made more plans for me in the future. If you're stuck at home with noting to do like me, try revisiting old hobbies you used to do maybe you'll find as much enjoyment as I did doing what I did when I was younger. Stay safe and have fun.

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