

13 Things You Should Know About Me

1. **If my life were a book, the title would be:** *Adventures of the New Marian*
2. **Favorite Saying:** "Life is a journey, not a destination."
3. **Best Childhood Memory:** Getting my first all white kitten, Prince, when I was 7, followed by Princess, after my family moved to the "country."
Current cat is Miss Cali.



4. **Favorite Food:** Chocolate. Did I say anything chocolate? Students tell me chocolate is not a food. Where'd they learn that?
5. **Biggest Pet Peeves:** Ignorance and people sitting on counters where food is prepared
6. **Favorite Things to Do:** playing with grandchildren, scrapbooking, journaling, nature photography, traveling, cycling, kayaking and snowshoeing.
7. **Highlight of my Week:** Having a good brain day!
8. **Biggest Change:** Growing up, I didn't want children, yet I became a parent and child development educator. I took Child Development at Sacramento City College & the instructor's teaching and content changed my career & life's passion.
9. **Favorite Sports Teams:** Fresno State Bulldogs (my alma mater). My husband competed for the Bulldogs Track & Field Team. Other favorite team: Oregon Ducks (I'm a Duck-in-Law).



10. **Weirdest food I've cooked & eaten:** Rattlesnake. My first year teaching, 12-year-old Cassie asks, "If I bring in rattlesnake for our home economics class, can we cook it?" Thinking she's joking, I give the okay. Valuable lesson learned at age 19: ask more questions before giving your final answer.



11. **Meanest thing I ever said:** "I can't same the same about you," after my boyfriend, (now husband) tells me, "I Love You," for the first time.

12. **Most Unexpected Experience:** Joined the Central Valley P.T. Cruisers Car Club after I bought my P.T. Convertible. Went on road trips and drove in the Cruiserfest Parade in Downtown Modesto during Graffiti Week.

13. **Little Known Fact:** I'm actually not a city girl; I grew up in the country. My brother & I raised registered rabbits for show and meat through El Dorado County 4-H. Our dad built us a 150 cage rabbitry with an automatic watering system and worm beds under the cages.



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