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The most fascinating thing I've ever seen was a brain autopsy at UCLA's NeuroCamp. My AP Psychology book came to life: the all-powerful hypothalamus, controlling countless processes, was the minuscule region before me. I was shocked to see that the amygdala — infamous for turning good-natured people into raging murderers — was much smaller than I'd imagined. Connecting the structures of the brain with their functions was as satisfying as solving a mystery in a Sherlock Holmes film. I love learning how the brain regulates complex human behavior, and I can't wait to unravel its mysteries.