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海外語学演習（英語）の経験者からの言葉



About ALP

- 5 Week summer program
July 30 - Aug 31, 2012
- Classes
 - Writing
 - Listening/Speaking
 - Reading/Vocabulary
 - Bay Area Experience
 - Electives (CA Culture & History, Famous People)
- Saturday Fun Trips
 - San Francisco Tour & Cruise under the Golden Gate Bridge
 - Great America Amusement Park
 - Outlet shopping mall
 - Japantown

California State University, East Bay American Language Program

ABOUT SCHOOL

BY EMIKA NISHIZAWA

The school decided to test first in my class. I was class of 2A. I studied English in a building named Art & Education and Valley Business &



Technology Center. I worried I can catch up with a class at first. Content is not too difficult, but the contents of the listening it was difficult for me. However, the teacher there

talked slowly. And they talked until I understood them. Class was in Japanese, Chinese and Saudi Arabian. The number of people was about 10 - 15 people. Homework came out almost every day. But it was not too hard. I think it was a very good experience and I learn English.

My Favorite Teacher by Kaori Hidaka

Cynthia was my teacher at writing class. I think that she is very good teacher. She taught me how to write reports and English grammar. She gave me a lot of homework but it was easy. For example I do not understand a lot of things and she told me gently. And she is very popular and many students were visiting on her every day. Break time, she give me candy every class! And she

held a Saudi Arabian's party. It is very interesting! I drank the coffee of Saudi Arabia and studied Saudi Arabian culture. So she love dance the hokey pokey! Often I danced together all classmates! It was very pleasant time. She is good teacher and I like her. I would like to meet her, when going to California again.





San Francisco: Pier 39 & Northbeach

by Tomofumi Ishizaka



On August 26, I went to the PIER 39 and North Beach with eight other Surugadai University students. Pier 39 has shops and restaurants. There were a lot of people, so I went on Sunday. Is a very good place to buy souvenirs. You can also enjoy watching because they also do events. I saw a street performer juggling with the event.

There were a lot of sea lions. It was very good view from the North Beach. I can see the Golden Gate Bridge and Alcatraz Island from there. There are a variety of shops just walk around the PIER39. I spent every day studying and sightseeing in five weeks.



ALP Classes by Tatsuya Hanami

The class was very hard for me!! There are two reason for it. First, the language of class is always English. If I don't understand anything, I have to ask someone to use a English!! I always couldn't use Japanese in the class. Moreover I don't speak and listening to English well, so it was difficult to communicate for me. and times, I had trouble about it. Second, I was only Japanese people in the class, so I had to use English. I couldn't talk well by English, and so to use English need have many stamina for me, because English is more use my head than own language. However by the grace of it I can use English well more than before now, and I could make many friends of other country. It is very important thing for me because I gradually changed my think to spend with overseas friends. In conclusions, I had precious experience by this class.



My Classes by Tetsuya Kaneko

First, I'm going to explain about my classes. These classes are about English. I had five classes. For example, I had classes about Writing, Listening/Speaking, Reading/Vocabulary, California Culture & History, and Bay Area Experience. Next, I'm going to explain about my schedule about my classes. In Monday and Wednesday, I had classes about Writing and Listening/Speaking. The Writing class is 8:00-10:45 am. The Listening/Speaking class is 12:00-1:50 pm. In Tuesday and Thursday, I had classes about Reading/Vocabulary and California Culture & History. The Reading/Vocabulary class is 8:00-9:50 am. The California Culture & History class is 12:00-1:50 pm. In Friday, I had a class about Bay Area Experience. The Bay Area Experience class is 9:20-10:30 am. Finally, I'm going to explain about points of my classes. If you will join these classes about Writing, Listening/Speaking and Reading/Vocabulary, you can learn English by English. If you will join the California Culture & History class, you can learn culture about California, China, Japan, and so on in English. If you will join the Bay Area Experience class, you can enjoy that go out Bay Area with new friends. Thank you for reading :)



California Adventures by Ryota Machida

I went to CA for a study abroad in my summer vacation. It was for the first time to go to the USA for me I could good experience in the USA . For example, I went to museum of American gold history and then I was knew how many old time American people made a lot of culture and tradition, history and so on. Old Chinese people made a road that many people can across east to west on USA. Japanese people taught how to make a rice for many old people in CA. That is what I could learn there. In addition, I went to many places in California like San Francisco. I enjoyed shopping and eating good meals. My best experience was that I went to Union City. I could enjoy dinner with my friends, but when we went to our home we were lost!! Finally, we could go back to our home

because we just talked ourself and then we could solve our problem. At that time, I could learn to need discussion coolly, and I felt that my English skill grown a little bit. I was glad that I could good experience. If I will have a chance of going to somewhere, I want to experience and tell my family and my friends about my best times in the USA.





Fun Trips *by Yuki Mishima*

I went to amusement park, outlet, Golden Gate Bridge and Japan town in Fun Trip program. At amusement park it was very fun because these attractions are not in Japan. Outlet was very wonderful. I bought cheap clothes and was very happy. I was surprised because I did not know Japantown was in the USA. So, you can see the different tourist destinations in California. It was very good. I went to San Francisco. In San Francisco I went to a lot of shopping areas like Nike Town and North Beach. I did not know very well how to ride the train for the first time when I went to San Francisco. I thought building and view different was very surprised in Japan. Now, I know a lot of differences between Japanese and American culture.



My Classes *by Rumi Orihashi*

My classes were Writing 2A, Listening/Speaking 2A, Reading/Vocabulary 2A, California Culture & History A and Bay Area Experience 1A. Many Chinese people and little Saudi Arabians were in every class. The Chinese were very kind. The Saudi Arabians were very fine and interesting. I can become friends with my classmates immediately. Homework was taken out with the lesson each time. It was very difficult for me. But I got used to it soon. The most difficult subject is a presentation. The subject is California history. I didn't know

California history, and I got impatient. I studied California history very hard. So, the presentation was a success.

The graduation ceremony was performed on August 31. Writing teacher gave me a diploma. I gulp down when it was received because I thought that that was the last time that I can meet everybody. After I played "Hokie Pokie Song and Dance" with everybody. It was very interesting. After the graduation ceremony, I took the pictures with my friends. The graduation ceremony was a very good memory for me.



San Francisco Bay Cruise

by Yurika Takei

I went on a San Francisco Bay Cruise. That morning, I got up early and left for the harbor. I got a Japanese language audio guide when I got into the boat. On the sea was very cold and there were strong winds. The weather was cloudy but I saw a beautiful view of the sea. The Golden Gate Bridge was very big. Then ship headed to Alcatraz Island. The ship went around Alcatraz Island. I did not know what happened on Alcatraz Island in the past. I listening to the Japanese language audio guide when ship was around the Alcatraz Island. I learned a lot. I went shopping in town then. I bought a candy and clothes. It was a very happy day for me.