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Report of Study Trip in Singapore and Malaysia

First, I want to thank Ms. Winnie and Mr. Matthew for organizing this trip. They encouraged me to join this trip. If they hadn't encouraged and supported me, I think I would not have joined the trip.

Before I joined the trip, I had had some interest in Singapore and Malaysia. I wanted to try Southeast Asia cuisines and get to know local cultures. In this trip, I tried so many delicious dishes in restaurants and food courts. For me, I think the most delicious dish is "Hainan Chicken Rice"(海南雞飯). The cook should choose local chicken to make this dish because this chicken is thin. Then, they will use different spices such as citronella(香茅) to cook the chicken. Finally, the visitor can eat this dish with three sauces. They are "Soy sauce"(豉油), "Ginger"(薑蓉) and "Chili sauce"(辣椒醬). Actually, I think you can also enjoy this dish without any sauces. The reason is that the chicken and rice are very delicious on their own.



"Hainan Chicken Rice" (海南雞飯)

On day two, we went to a public food court to have our dinner. The food court was called “Lau Pa Sat Telok Ayer Market”. The outside of the market looks like a big red pavilion and inside there are many big fans on the ceiling. This food court only has one floor, but it accommodates many restaurants. Also, the visitors can use public seats and go to buy food themselves. When I was choosing my dinner, I saw a lot of tourists and local residents enjoying their food. Clearly, this market can attract many people. Although it doesn’t offer good service or excellent dishes, it is worth trying. That night, I ate three kinds of Southeast Asia cuisine. I quite felt very satisfied, because all were delicious. On another thing, I drank a cup of “milo”(美祿) every morning. However, “milo” is also sold in Hong Kong though I seldom drink it in the morning. I guess Singapore residents like drinking this drink at any time.



“The college breakfast”

The Singapore government allows residents to tolerate different religions, for example, Islamism, Catholicism and Buddhism. Because of religion freedom, the majority of churches can be found in good condition and in their original locations. On day three, Mr. Wu who is a member of a local community club guided us to visit a mosque. This was my first time to visit mosque, I think the mosque is as dignified as a church. The outside of the mosque shows its construction of ten closed

and regular angles. I guess the reason for this is so that worshipers can easily face their god. I was surprised we could take photos inside. It seems the director of mosque wants to let it become an attraction. On that afternoon, we went to “The universal studios”(環球影城). This is the most popular attraction of all and almost all tourists should go to there to have fun. This trip offered free ticket for students, so we could play in universal studio heartily. The theme park includes different exciting thrill rides, but the waiting time is long. If you favor thrilling rides, I will not suggest going to universal studio. Instead, you can take photos with their famous characters.



Photo took with Mr. Wu and fellows

On day five, we visited a local press called “World Scientific”, which mainly publishes Science textbooks. From the talk, I learned about the reading trend in Singapore. Singapore students mainly read for examinations, but they seldom read in their spare time. By contrast, Hong Kong student always read novels or works of fiction in their spare time. It shows we have an advantage in reading and besides novels we still study new knowledge through academic books. After this visit, I know about the press’s daily operations. This was a valuable experience for me.



“Merlion Park” (魚尾獅公園)

Singapore is small country, but it has perfect public transportation. Also, the people can go to one place from another place quickly because the distance is short. On day four, we had chance to visit Malaysia by private car. This experience was new for me, since I never took a private car in my past trips. In my past trips, I always take the subway or bus. Fortunately, the driver was professional and took us to places between Singapore and Malaysia. When we had to process immigration clearance procedures, the officer checked our passports. The difference was that we could sit in the car and just show our faces.



“Malaysia dessert”

All in all, I made many new friends in this trip. We always had fun together and shared delicious food. Everyone has their own character, but we still cooperated to finish all of journeys. For example, we washed dresses and found lost articles. After this trip, some students will graduate from college. I wish they can achieve their dreams. For me, I want to study new knowledge every day.



“One exhibit in Singapore Art Museum”