

Hello, it is getting warmer in Australia. I was wearing a fluffy jacket last month, but I am already thinking to send it back to Japan. This July was the most fulfilling month in my study abroad life. I had a lot of experience on this school holiday and excursions. Students have two weeks of school holidays, and all my plans to go shopping with my friends were scheduled for the latter half. I had to save money, so I enjoyed nature in the first half. Also, since I have already been to famous places such as beaches, I went around various scenic spots that I found on the map.

I went to this temple on the first day of the school holiday. First, I was just thinking about going to the bus stop located on the south westernmost side. However, there is this temple across the big valley from the bus stop. I was curious and walked to the temple for more than one and half hours. There were huge flower fields and lots of sheep along the way to temple, which were beautiful. Unfortunately, the temple was under renovation and is closed to the public, and the Zen tea café was also closed. It was good to see the beautiful temple from the outside, but I would like to go there again.



I also found this place from the map. I saw this bench and tree in the sunset, it was pretty and I would like to see it, but I have curfew. However, the scenery from this mountain was beautiful and I think this photo is still good. My host family, friends, and international teachers told me they did not know there, so I believe I found good place to introduce to my other friends.

The other day, I went to a big anime event in the city with my friend. Last time, I hesitated to ask cosplayers if I could take their photos. However, I gained more confidence in my English this time, so I asked a lot of people and all of them kindly allowed me to take photos. There is also a professional cosplayer who is cosplaying my favorite character. I had chats with her, and she told me where she takes photos of her cosplay. After that, he gave me her sign on the photo which I bought. This was the best memory in this event.



During this holiday, a new host mate came from Italy. I showed her the garden, museum, and

old library in the city. We quickly became friends, and she is going to teach me how to make tiramisu and carbonara. I am excited to cook with her.

I am sad that my last host mate and friend have gone back to their countries, but I could meet a lot of new people this term. I only have 4 months in Australia. I would like to study English harder and try using the words and grammars which I learned.

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