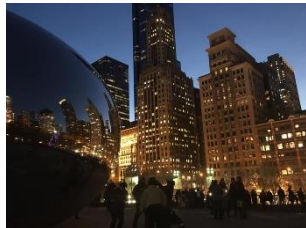


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Winter Break

Over the winter break, I traveled to California with other international students. We firstly visited San Francisco where we could enjoy the beautiful scenery from the top of every steep. Since I am a fan of the American drama “Full House”, I had very fun time by visiting its filming locations. From San Francisco to Los Angeles, we had a road trip. As driving route one all the way, we could see the sea on our right almost all the time and also we could feel the spectacular nature of America. The scenery reminded my hometown and the coast area of Iwate. The two days road trip became my unforgettable memory in this study abroad. Then, Los Angeles was totally different



from Chicago and also San Francisco. I realized that Los Angeles was much more diverse in terms of the people living there and the language they used. I often heard people speaking Spanish and saw many Spanish words in shops. I was again noticed how America is big and different depending on where you live.

Other than traveling, we enjoyed a lot of things over the break such as celebrating Christmas with my host family and my friends, going to Christmas market and having a dinner at jazz restaurant.



The Season of My Favorite Sport



In addition to a lot of memories I had in winter break, I cannot forget talking about my favorite sport in the season right now. Winter is the season for many sports but especially for basketball in America and in NCC. They have a game almost every week, which is really exciting for me and I never miss their home games. Compared to the universities in Japan, I think that athletes have better environment to concentrate on their performance, so that it is easy for fans and other students to get to like boosting or supporting their teams. For me, watching basketball games of our university team is now the most favorite time here. Also, since they are also students as same as me, I could get to know some members by the trigger that I love basketball.

