

To describe this experience, I prefer to use the word “awesome”. The reason why I do so is that I got a chance to meet and to live with people coming overseas. Moreover, they showed me the best side of their lives, environment and their culture. Well, I really appreciate the care and help they gave me throughout this trip. They did a lot for us. I believe staying in Singapore for two weeks was great, and for me, it is a sheer life-time experience we could ever have. I really enjoyed the time I spent with my buddy too. We underwent the scorchers and the stormy weather. Talking with my buddy at night within these 2 weeks was absolutely enjoyable, as it is the best way for us to know more about each other. There were a great variety of topics that we talked about. Through talking with my buddy at night, my knowledge about Singapore became richer. The most impressive thing he told me was the educational system in Singapore. The differences between the Hong Kong and Singapore education system is a little bit confusing. The environment in Hong Kong and Singapore has a lot in common. The only difference lies in that there are more skyscrapers in Hong Kong, whereas there are more trees in Singapore. There were a lot of activities we did in Singapore too. We went sightseeing, hiking on mountains and visiting a zoo. The zoo called Night Safari is the most amazing. Imagine that you are visiting the only one night zoo in the world, how amazing that is. You might want to know why it is so special, but once you are there, you will be very clear of what I have said. The lighting and the atmosphere are things make it so unique. The lighting is not irritating at all. Although it is so dim, it still provides visitors with clear views on the animals. I was wondering how they managed to do this. Luckily, I was not carried away by the lighting and the atmosphere; otherwise, I would miss the chance to see the animals’ life!

At weekends, my host family gave me a big opportunity to fit into the Singaporean life. They took me to a farm, the temples and the National Day Parade. The temples were gorgeous. I conducted a lot of research about Singapore before and I know that Singapore is a harmoniously multi-racial society. I am very glad to be there and to experience the uniqueness of this country. The National Day Parade (NDP) was another great experience I had. It really allowed me to fully fit into Singaporean culture. It was fantastic. After the NDP, I could really tell how patriotic the Singaporean people were.

During these 2 weeks, I really learnt more about Singapore. Though both Hong Kong and Singapore are similar in certain aspects, many things are still different. It was a great pleasure for me to see two different breeds of Asian Tiger. I am looking forward to the visit by the Singaporean students in November. I am sure I will be an

enthusiastic host for them and introduce every aspect of Hong Kong to them.











