

Travel Log

You have finished all of your research. As a reward, you're going on a trip! You'll be traveling direct from your closest airport to a major airport in the country you just researched. In journal form, you will present much of what you learned about your country (all the information on your research notes.)

MY TRAVEL LOG

I am so excited about my trip to _____ (name of the country you studied) which is located on the continent of _____. After my long research project, I deserve a break! My family and I packed up our luggage and headed for _____ Airport (name of your nearest major airport). We took a _____ am/pm (departure time) flight on _____ Airlines (name of airline). The flight lasted about _____ hours. We arrived in _____ (major city) at _____ am/pm. We had to change our watches because we discovered there was a _____-hour time difference between _____ (name of the country you studied) and our home in the United States. As we stepped off the plane, our passports were checked and we were greeted with a friendly _____ (hello in the native language of your country).

I could hardly wait to see some of the places I had researched. We took a taxi to our hotel. It was called the _____ (name of the hotel you selected). We unpacked our suitcases, which included _____, _____, and _____ (types of clothing and accessories you brought to match the climate), because I learned that _____ (name of the country you studied) had a climate that was _____(temperate/continental/tropical/arid/polar).

Finally it was time to hit the streets and see the sights. We hopped aboard a tour bus and our tour guide showed us _____ (name a landmark a tourist might see) and told us about _____ (another landmark). The ride was wonderful. From my window I could see _____ (name of the country you studied) had _____ and _____ (types of landforms found in your country).

As we were driving along, the tour guide asked me if I knew anything about _____ (name of the country you studied.) Did I ever! I told him I knew that the capital was _____, and other major cities included _____ (city) and _____ (city). I told him the country was bordered by _____
_____ (name all countries and bodies of water that border your country) and the latest population figure was _____.

I also mentioned that I knew _____

_____ (3 interesting facts).

I think he was very impressed with all my knowledge!

As we drove along we went through an industrial area. I saw factories where they made _____, _____, and _____ . I wondered if my family ever bought any _____ (name of culture such as Mexican, Italian, Polish) -made products back home in the United States.

After seeing so much I was starving. We stopped for lunch at a local restaurant. I ordered _____, _____, and _____ (list at least 3 native dishes). I thought the meal tasted _____ (your opinion on how you imagine the meal tasted.)

Right outside the restaurant window we could see a celebration going on. It was _____ (name of celebration or festival). People were dressed in traditional clothes _____ (type of clothing worn). It was very exciting to watch.

Before we headed back to the hotel, my family wanted to visit the local farmers market. Area farmers had displays of _____, _____, and _____ (name products grown in your country.) _____

(name a member of your family) picked out some _____
(agricultural product) and paid _____ (number and currency, like 550
pesos) for it. The farmer said “ _____ ” (“thank you” in the native
language of the country you visited) and handed me the bag with a smile.
Later that day we also bought _____ (souvenirs that come from
your country of study, like Belgian lace, Nigerian pottery or Irish crystal). I
could hardly wait to get them home.

I’m so thrilled I had the opportunity to visit _____ (country). As I
said _____ (“good-bye” in native language) to _____ (country) and
headed for home, I kept thinking about _____
_____. (Write how you feel about having this
country as part of your heritage.) I’m hoping someday I can learn more about
_____ (name the other countries in
your heritage.) I am also proud, however, to be an American living in The
United States, the land of diversity.