



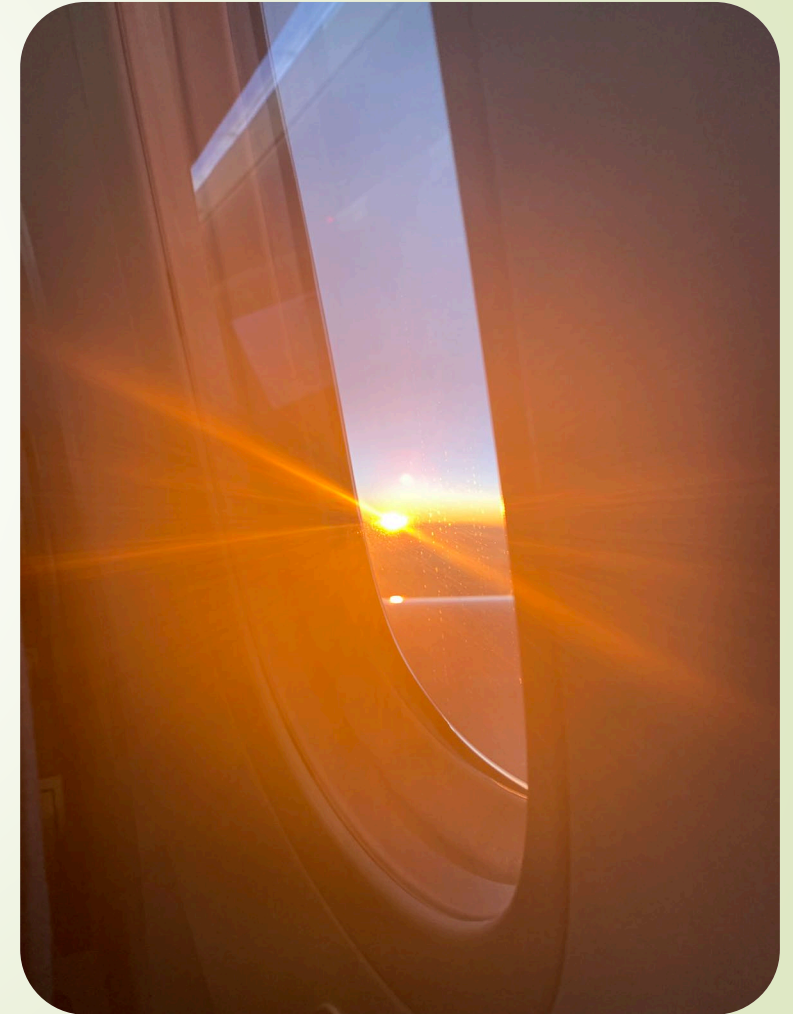
# Vancouver Canada

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# Flight and the first week in Cannada



I was exhausted of the first week  
after the flight.  
I remember that I just slept slept  
slept at my room and did not go  
out anywhere.



# New place, new smell, new environment

Tim hortons, Downtown, souvenirshop



# The first few weeks were challenges to try to get used to living in new place

Actually, I like to face a new environment which is unfamiliar to me, but I realized that I got too much stress of having relationships to people, time differences, and studying my classes of my uni and English course at UBC. I knew I was trying to get used to all of them with having trial and error.

I was not afraid of speaking different language because I prepared that before coming there, but in terms of living in different environment, it is impossible to do that if you have not had such experience before.



# Precious time to study at UBC

I really enjoyed having classes at UBC. Also I felt how diversity it is there. Huge campus, many students from all over the world and variety of culture made me amazed. Classes and project were also fun. However, there were too many Japanese who speak their mother language, I heard some students who dedicate to study English hate it.



# Whistler, Ice hockey game, Becoming age ceremony in Canada

These new experience were so terrific.  
Especially, having becoming age ceremony in Canada would be one of the most unusual event in my life



# Joining Islam lectures, visiting masjids

## Having many Muslim sisters and brothers at UBC



This was one of the plans to have Muslim friends and visiting masjid. Because I was in Canada, I wanted to know more about multi culture society. It is hard to learn that in Japan actually. Islamic lecture was held in speak all English and used many difficult terms, but it was essential experience for me to have real English lecture for free at a university. Fortunately, I could many Arab-Muslim friends there too. I was so happy.



# Another plan to eat Arabic foods.

Before coming to Canada, I was also planning to visit a lot of Arabic restaurants because it is also hard to eat Middle-eastern and North African cuisine in Japan.

And I realized that Japan has to open more for multi culture people so that they can visit and live here easily like Canada. For Muslims, it is hard to find even Halal foods in Japan compared to Canada.



# Last flight, Coming Back to Japan

It was pretty much exhausted of having a flight to Japan.  
I had through many problems in Canada and I spent my life off the rail in Canada, but I thought they were so meaningful events for me.



Thank you  
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