

A Day of Exhaustion

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Special points of interest:

- THE 14 HOUR PLANE RIDE
- Going against the current—therefore taking longer
- Taiwan is 16 hours ahead of the United States pacific time

The 14hrs LONG trip:

“Boarding flight C5501, please come up to the boarding counter now. Boarding flight C5501, please board immediately.”

Our first day to Taiwan was comprise of mainly the plane ride (14hrs). Unlike most tour travels, our group came to Taiwan in different times as well as differing airlines. Although we did arrive differently, we all agree that the 14



The Tao Yuan international airport had this large board

HOUR plane ride was incredibly long. Janeva and Wayne sat in the

elite class in their plane, China Airlines. Belinda and Vanessa arrived in Taiwan earlier than the others on their flight, China Airlines, to Kaoshiung. Mabel, Brandon, Karen, and Katherine came together on the actual plane that was suppose to bring all of us, which was

Eva Air. Unfortunately, they had experienced an hour delay, which brought up more pain.

Rest at the Hotel

At the night time, everyone retired to their rooms for the day. But, all of us did come in at different times. Belinda and Vanessa came from Kaoshiung to Taipei early in the day and arrived at the hotel during the afternoon. They took a tour around Taipei before retiring to their rooms. Janeva and Wayne came to the hotel at six p.m.. Janeva

fell asleep the moment she got to the hotel room and the woke up around 7a.m. Then, she fell asleep again. While the rest arrived at the hotel at midnight because of they got delayed by the plane. Mabel, Brandon, Karen, and Katherine experienced a black out at around one in the morning. Mabel and Brandon slept at four since they stayed up

chatting and playing children’s trading card games. Everyone woke up at seven a.m. to meet up with everyone else .



Personal Experiences: Mabel

I thought the entire trip was FABULOUS. Not in an exaggeration of any kind, but really, the 14 hour plane ride, including the slight queasy air sickness, wasn't all too bad. I had the chance to complete one of the most exciting drama movies of all time. It was in the new entertainment catalog and it just

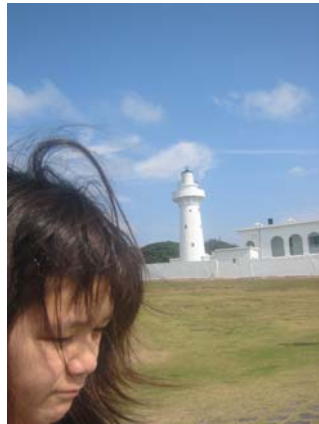
came out this month and it was subbed. I was seriously smiling and grinning with sheer happiness with the fact that I was going watch the ultimate ending of my prolonged drama. After a good 3 hours, I pretty much fell asleep the rest of the way, without feeling air sickness. It was a BREEZE.



The express bus pick up sign at Tao Yuan international airport.

Personal Experiences: Karen

My experience with the flight to Taiwan was a bit



boring and gruesome although there are many interesting and fun kinds of entertainment available on the plane. One of the better things about an overseas flight is that you have lots of time to catch up on your work and other things, but if you happen to be going overseas during a major holiday, then

you should prepare yourself for repositioning your legs over and over again for the next half day while eating plastic tasting food and breathing in the most recycled air with old people coughing in your face and food. Other than all that, the flight was absolutely SPLENDID!

"BOARDING DELAYED?!"

-Mabel

Personal Experiences: Belinda

I came to Taiwan earlier than the others (because I'm way cooler). On my flight, China Airlines, I had a good time actually (unlike Karen XD) but the only thing that was disappointing was that THERE WAS NO CARTOONS FOR ME TO WATCH. I mean, seriously, no cartoons?? The movies were okay but I got kinda bored and just played some games in-



stead. I slept for most of the time during the flight and the food was kind of good... although seems a little bit fake in a way. When I arrived in Taipei, I had to go on another flight to Kaoshiung (where my relatives live) which took another hour. So my flight to Taiwan took approx. 15 hours!! That's really long if you guys haven't noticed yet.