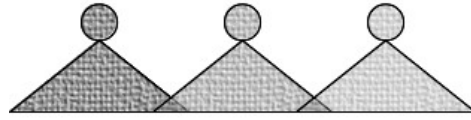


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What Do I Write About?

A List of Things Worth Blogging

Pre-Travel

- What were you most nervous about before you left to travel?
- What was your favorite part of the planning process?
- How did you pick a location or a program to go to?
- What are the top 5 biggest travel concerns and ways to combat them?
- When is the best time to buy airfare?

Packing

- How far in advance do you pack before you leave for a trip?
- What is one thing you must pack for a trip abroad?
- What is the one item that is so easy to forget?
- What are the top 10 things not to back?
- Is it a good idea to bring computers, cell phones, or other technology?
- What type of clothes do you want to wear while walking around?

Home-life

- What was it like when you met your host family for the first time?
- What parts of living at home were different abroad?
- Talk about one funny exchange you had with your host family.
- What was the most interesting food you were served?
- What were the expectations of you in a home stay?

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Program Specific

- Military: Why was your program beneficial for your language development?
- Teachers: What did you learn about the art of teaching while abroad?
- Business: Talk about what a global business mindset actually is.
- Art: How did you learn different art styles and develop your style?
- Mature Adult: What was your favorite activity or excursion?
- Volunteer: Who was one memorable person you interacted with while abroad?
- Medical: What did you learn about healthcare practices abroad?

Country Specific

- How did your country of study respond to travelers?
- What was transportation like in your country of study?
- What was the hardest to get used to about your place of study?
- What do you miss the most about the lifestyle there?
- Talk about your first experience buying something.
- What were some laws that took you by surprise?
- What were cultural taboos you noticed while there?

Friendships Abroad

- Talk about one fascinating person that you met while abroad.
- If you traveled with someone, how did you grow closer through travel?
- How did you keep in contact with friends and family back home?
- Talk about one person you met abroad and how you still keep in touch.
- What was your favorite thing that you did with a friend abroad?

'Whoops' Moments

- Talk about a time when you accidentally miscommunicated something.
- What was one time that you missed a bus or train?
- Talk about an embarrassing misunderstanding you had.
- What was one thing that you did that attracted the attention of locals?

Living Abroad Smarts

- What precautions do you take going out alone?
- Talk about one time that you did something savvy abroad.
- Talk about the importance of carrying identifying information with you.
- What is one common misconception about traveling alone?

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Travel Logistics

- Talk about an experience in which you were glad to have travel insurance.
- What was calling home and getting or sending packages from home like?
- What is the best way to navigate in a new city?
- Talk about what it was like to get a Visa.
- Talk about a time that you lost a credit card, passport, or other document.
- How did you budget while living abroad?
- What is it like to travel with a big group? Or alone?
- How is it possible to stay fit abroad?
- How did you work out a work-study grant? Or tuition/credit issues?

Romance Abroad

- What was one romantic excursion that you did?
- In your opinion, what makes a city romantic?
- What is the best program to do with a spouse or significant other?

Post-Travel

- What do you miss the most about living abroad?
- Did you experience reverse culture shock?
- What was the one food item you wanted once you got back home?
- Talk about the experience getting off the plane knowing the trip was over.
- Have you started thinking about your next travel destination?

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