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You continue with your classes and studies. You end the semester with low B's, which is good enough considering you barely even practiced Chinese in real life and did not participate in extracurriculars.

Time to return to California



Back in California

Back in California, your parents call to ask you how the trip was. They ask, "What did you learn about experiencing Chinese culture first-hand? Life in China? What values are important to Chinese people?"

You realize that you didn't learn much about it. "Well, I didn't really get to learn more about Chinese culture and I felt like an outsider."

Mom responds, "You didn't try to socialize with the students there? You shouldn't have been so closeminded. There may have been some students who would have loved to know you better."

"Yeah.. I'm kind of sad but also frustrated. I kind of tried, but I guess I could have done more. Hopefully I can have another opportunity to."

THE END