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Feedback :

This was my first time to join this activity. My classmates and I were so lucky to be chosen as volunteers for them. We were very excited. To show our best for these foreign friends, we took part in a series of extra classes, learning many useful English expressions for receiving guests and how to introduce Tainan historical monuments and local foods in English.

Although learning Mandarin and Chinese culture was their purpose, our school still arranged extra interesting activities for them, such as Oriental chromatics, calligraphy, traditional Chinese painting, card DIY, local snacks enjoying and DIY, pottery shaping and cloth dying, etc. All we had to do is interpret what we heard and be their assistants. Seeing all of them join these activities with enthusiasm, we were so touched.

Besides indoor classes and activities, field trip was another feature of this study visit. We showed them famous historical sites, like Confucius Temple and Chin-kan Tower. To let them get to know Taiwanese culture much more, we also arranged them visit The National Center for Research and Preservation of Cultural Properties.

What they expected the most is the Night market. When they came to our school on the first day, they kept asking when they could visit night market. They looked forward to tasting delicious local foods there. So, when we arrived at the night market, they were not only satisfied with tasty local snacks but also had fun by playing all sorts of games; include pinball, darts shooting, doll-catching, basketball-shooting and hoopla and so forth.

On the last day, we exchanged out e-mails and promised to keep in touch. This cultural exchange let them know Tainan more deeply, and also made us feel proud of our city, Tainan. And it is honorable for us to promote Tainan to more foreign fiends. We will never forget this experience.