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# LSI - OC Newsletter

## September 2011

### Beach Party

Thank you to all the LSI-OC students who came to the beach party to cheer on our volleyball team. Thank you also to all the students who participated in the games throughout the day. Thank you to all the teachers and staff who helped make the beach party a great success!

Our volleyball team won the first 3 games we played. However, we ended up losing the championship game and we ended up taking second place in the tournament. Even though we did not win the trophy, I am very proud of our team and the spirit of the OC students.

We had a lot of fun and it was no nice to enjoy California life together with all the



students, teachers and staff members.

LSI-OC did end up winning one of the competitions that day. We won the relay race where you had to run to the ocean and fill up small buckets of water and then run back to your team too fill up a big "team bucket." Our OC students did so well as they worked together and filled up their bucket with more water than any other school.

Our school also did well in the tug-of-war game against LA. Even though LA had many more students and a lot more guys, we still tried our best and made them really work for the victory.

Our Thai students also did very well in the disgusting food contest. I was very proud of our OC students!!

By Ty



### *This month's Events!!*

9/2 - Brea Jazz Festival

9/3 - Baseball Game and Ne-Yo Concert



9/3 - Orange International Street Fair

9/7 - EXIT TEST

9/10 - Movie Night



9/17 - Bowling Night

9/23 - Graduation Party

*Fall Break  
September 26 - 30*



# Facebook Fotos of the Month



## Life in Japan

By Mayuki (Level 6)

Life in California and life in Japan is very different. First, in Japan I can take the train and go anywhere. However, in California you need a car to get around. Without a car it is hard to go anywhere, and I never use the train here. Second, the weather is very different. In Japan the summers are hot and very humid, but here the summer is very dry. Also, in Japan it is hot all day, but in California it's cold in

the morning and again at night. In Japan it is so hot at night that you need an airconditioner just to sleep well. I like the weather in California better than the weather in Japan. Third, the education system is different too. In Japan students have to study really hard so they can pass entrance exams to different levels of schooling. In America students have to study really hard in order to graduate.

Both countries have their own characteristics. If we could learn the good things from each other the quality of our lives would be much better!

# Two Ways to Travel

Have you ever traveled abroad? It's very exciting to visit famous sites and learn about different cultures. Actually traveling there yourself is very different from watching the Travel Channel on T.V. In this article I will compare two different ways to travel, looking at the advantages and disadvantages of both. The two different ways to travel are traveling alone and traveling with a your group.

The first thing to consider is safety. Many people choose to travel with a tour group because they want to feel protected. Tour guides can keep you away from dangerous areas and can help watch out for you. Guides are also trained to deal with tough situations that might come up. Traveling alone, however, can be dangerous. You might not know how to avoid dangerous areas that you are unfamiliar with.

Another issue to think about is time limitations. If you travel alone, you have more



freedom to stay at a certain place for as long as you like. On the other hand, traveling with a group usually means you have to stick to a very tight schedule.

They try to visit a lot of places in just a short amount of time. So if you travel by yourself, you will have more time to enjoy your trip and learn as much as you want about the local culture and famous sites.

Finally, a very important thing to consider is the kind of sites you want to visit. Tour guides take their groups to very well-known sites that are very common, but there are a lot of other beautiful places that even they don't know about. If you travel alone, you can visit many beautiful places that are "off the beaten track." Sometimes only the local people know about these places. Also, many famous sites are overcrowded. If you travel by yourself you can feel more relaxed and you will have more space.

So, there are basically two different ways to travel. Which one would you choose? As for me, I prefer to travel alone. I like to enjoy my time traveling. Although traveling in a group is safer, I still think traveling alone has more advantages.

By Stanley (Level 6)



## Comfort is all that matters!

People want to wear beautiful clothes and show off different styles, but for me, feeling comfortable is all that really matters. A lot of girls like to wear high heels, but it is so uncomfortable. I prefer tennis shoes. Other girls want to look sexy so they wear clothes that



show a lot of skin, even in the winter time. They shake because they are freezing and they sometimes catch a cold as a result. Does this make sense? In addition, some girls want to change the color of their eyes to look more beautiful so they wear special contact lenses for a long time. But this makes your eyes feel really dry and uncomfortable. This can also be bad for the health of your eyes. My conclusion is this, people need to think about their health when they dress and the most important thing for me is feeling comfortable!

By an anonymous author