Traveling Japan (and probably other places too)

Efficiently and Effectively

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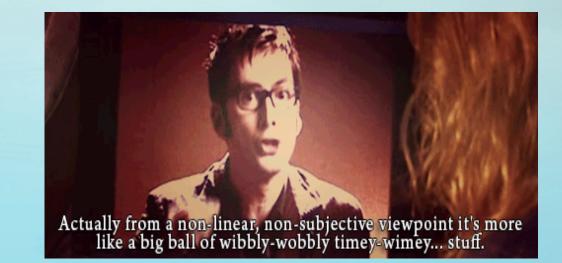
# Ice Breaker

Let's talk travel experiences!



### Make the most of your TIME

- Check calendars
  - Three day weekends
  - National holidays
  - Schools trips
  - Daikyuu
  - Exam days
  - Summer
- You can use Nenkyuu
- ASK IN ADVANCE



## Planning: The Five W's

- When?
- Where?
- What activities are you interested in/Why are you going?
- Traveling alone or with others (who)?



### Preparedness

- Research
- Book anything and everything in advance when you can
- Make itineraries (its annoying but it works)
- Consider your language abilities

# What kind of Travel?

### On the go and on a dime...



#### On the move:

- Night bus
- Peach Airlines
- Carpool
- Local sites

#### Staying Cheap:

- Tatami time share
- Capsule hotels
- Camping
- Couch surfing!

\*Remember time will factor into price, so consider both short trips or traveling on weekdays

### Going all out!



- Travel packages for both Japan and other countries
  - Ask friends
- Local Resorts
  - Luxury, but close to home
- Cultural specialties
  - Book kimono pics
  - See traditional concerts
  - Meet geisha
  - Specialty cafes

If you can make it happen, go for it!

# Japan is so safe...

# **Staying Safe**

#### **Before:**

**During:** 

- Talk to your supervisor and RA
- Lock Up!
- Have evidence and itineraries for your travel
- Double check luggage, cash, electronics, etc.
- Don't purely rely on electronics

\*Above all, don't leave your common sense at home!

#### Stranger danger Don't purely rely on electronics (again)

Travel with a group or friend



