## Yusuhara a Home from Home: 24. International Study Trips

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August this year marks the first time in 4 years that the Yusuhara Gakuen international study trips to both the U.K and Canada will proceed. There have been multiple attempts over the years to go on the trips, but it just wasn't deemed safe enough. Now however, that is no longer the case. A number of students are participating this year to aid in their English language learning and more importantly to have a unique experience to look back on in the future.

My role as an ALT has been to help prepare these students for life in the foreign countries in order to maximize their enjoyment. As someone from the U.K I am more suitable to life, customs and culture there so I have been sharing my experiences, many of which can be applied to Canada as well. We have been learning about money, manners, how to speak informally to new friends and of course what they will do on their field trips. It seems that everyone is super excited but also incredibly nervous, which is only natural. Hopefully these extra lessons help alleviate some of the anxiety!



Downtown London: the participants will be visiting Westminster Palace and the Houses of Parliament!