

Travel to Japan

Overall Objectives

-You will develop your research skills, explore different Japanese landmarks, and create an interactive travel map (Google My Map) for a ten day trip to Japan.
-You are expected to create a digital map after completing the necessary research listed in the challenge section, task #1, and Template. This is **not** a group project. You will need a computer to access Google Drive, Google My Maps, and Google Classroom.

Challenge

Your employer, Travtation (a company specializing in travel consultations), has been hired by four different customers. Coincidentally, all four clients wish to be in Japan for 10 days; however, each of them have different expectations in the types of places they wish to visit. Since you are the most experienced employee, your employer has graciously allowed you to have first choice of selecting the customer you wish to service. You will need to choose one of the clients before proceeding to task #1:

1. Taylor Slow - A very wealthy patron who wishes wishes to visit Japan. She has decided to treat all of her extended family (25 in total) on this expedition. The ages vary from 2 - 78, and she has expressed concerns about the limited mobility of a few family members. In addition, it is her strong desire that the family is immersed in traditional Japanese culture. A friend of hers (whom she admires) recommended Kyoto, travelling on shinkansen, and shabu-shabu. She is adamant that her family does not go to more than 3 locations, especially since they will be travelling in large numbers. Ms. Slow has a large budget, but also has high expectations of you. Make sure each day is unique, but do not have more than one place to visit. All travelling must be practical and time efficient. She is only expecting you to make plans for 8 days. She has her own plans for the other 2 days.
2. Bob Ruth - This man loves sports and wants to experience Japanese sports culture! He will be travelling by himself and he wishes to see at least 6 different sports events. Mr. Ruth specifically mentioned his wish to watch the Yomiuri Giants play baseball, attend Sumo Wrestling, ski downhill, and play some golf. Although, he has money, he does not enjoy having it spent frivolously - do not waste his money! With all of his activities, he does hope to visit a spa on his first and last day. The other 8 days should have 1 specific place to visit, and it better be related to sports...he likes surprises similar to how he wishes his money to be spent, it must serve a practical purpose. Make sure each day is unique, but do not have more than one place to visit. All travelling must be practical and time efficient. He is only expecting you to make plans for 8 days. The other 2 days will be at a spa.
3. Wayne Bruce - A very mysterious man who has expressed a strong desire to learn Japanese martial arts and medicine. He is incredibly wealthy, but is not interested in visiting anyplace fancy. He is in his early 20s and his physical appearance is impressive. He plans to have little rest during his 10 days and expects you to suggest venues with challenging activities. Mr. Bruce specifically mentioned spending 2 days at Mt. Fuji (something about mountain climbing and visiting a sacred site). He will be very disappointed if you only suggest ideas found on the beaten path (places tourists visit), after all Mr. Bruce follows a saying about beaten paths are for beaten men. He is strange, so make sure each day is unique, but do not have more than one place to visit. He is only expecting you to make plans for 8 days. He has made comments about facing his fears somewhere in Japan, but will not say where.
4. Julia Offspring - This lady has an insatiable appetite for seafood. She is very particular about her 10 day visit to Japan. She is strongly opposed to visiting Honshu Island, wants to try a different food each day (and know how it is prepared), wants to visit a ramen shop. She is expecting you to provide at least 1 image for each food she will consume. Her time is precious, but if you substitute a short video for some images, she may find them helpful. Remember, this lady is very particular and does not want you to simply suggest foods, but provide insightful tidbits about the foods you suggest. She is hoping to bring her experience back to her country and cook these foods for people she wishes to host. She is only expecting you to suggest 8 different foods. She is planning on eating stuffed tomatoes the last 2 days.