

Pretend that you are on a field trip and your assignment is to write about your observations. Well I went on a field trip to the Hindu temple society of North America in flushing queens. I will list and describe everything that happened, and your job is to formulate everything into sentences...make sure that you fix the introduction and the conclusion... must have excellent writing skills here we go:

On tuesday october 25, 2016, my class and I went on a field trip to The Hindu temple society of North America, in flushing Queens. We took the 7 train and got off on flushing/main street, and then we took the Q65 and took the bus 5 stops to 45 avenue/bowne street Once our stop came we got off the bus and we walked for about 2 minutes to the temple. When we arrived to the temple, I was amazed of how beautiful it looked, it looked like a palace, very big and clean. The class and I had to take our shoes off before we entered the temple. We had to go downstairs where there was a room where we could keep our shoes at , after we all took our shoes off we walked upstairs to the temple. As we entered we all sat on the floor to wait for our tour guy, we waited for about 5 minutes. When he came he introduced himself and then we started the tour around the temple.

I noticed that they have 5 alters, and deities, the deities are made of metal (explain what deity's are for those people that don't know you can even google the hindu temple society of north america ), huge temple, nice clean floors, they have tv's that show other temples in America, the students looked intrigued with our tour guy. They perform different types of rituals in the temple. They have a canteen facility. I also seen signs around the temple that says "no pictures" and "no soliciting". I see a few people walking around the temple doing a prayer. The tour guy , G.P. said that anyone can come to the

festival that they were having even if you do not practice hinduism he also said even children go!.

From what the tour guy said , The temple first opened in 1977, he even said that the temple has expanded, there used to be three houses right beside the temple, but it has been demolished. They have a temple office. There's an area in the temple where rituals are performed which are called 'fire worship" this temple also has priests.

Everything that has been done in this temple is based on tradition, the temple took 7 years to build. One thing I found interesting was when the tour guy said that there is no women preachers. They can preach but they cannot be preachers, G.P. the tour guy, thinks that , that is a man's job.They also have offerings, from what G.P said, most people donate thousands of dollars. There are boxes around the temple for offerings. There are different dainty's (explain what dainty's are you can even google the temple to talk about which one was most interesting) in the temple and they all have different names. This was a beautiful experience, I've never been to a temple. G.P was an amazing tour guy, he was very informative and he had the whole class engaged. I will definitely visit the temple again when I have time. It was 4pm , time to go, we all thanked G.P. and the class and I headed downstairs to get our shoes. Our professor gave us a choice to stay so that we could go to the canteen to eat some food, I decided to stay and most of my classmates left. A few of the students and the professor and I headed to the canteen which was across the temple. As we enter the canteen, I seen a few people eating and they looked like they were enjoying the food. My professor ordered some food for us to try. I looked at their menu and noticed that they do not

serve meat. The cashier gave my professor a ticket which had numbers on it, they were going to call her number once the food was ready. The students and the professor and I sat down as we waited for the food to be ready. Five minutes went by and the food was ready, they called the number and my professor went to get the food. When she brought the food to the table, I was curious to try it, since I never had Indian food before. It smelled really good. I tried the dosa served with fiesta potato masala. (Dosa is a kind of pancake made from a fermented batter) Once we all finished eating the tasty food we all walked to the Manhattan bound 7 train and the class and I rode the train together until we got to our stop. I had an amazing time visiting the temple, it was a very good experience!.