

# Class Discussion Topics

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Below is a list of topics that Japanese travelers abroad often find of interest. Think about them carefully as they apply to your own needs. Take notes about additional topics you may want to discuss. Also write down any questions you may have about the topics or about our class. The class will decide together which of these topics will be discussed in class in the first semester.

These topics are very general. You may want to discuss some of them in greater detail. For example, under "manners," the topic "Eating" is mentioned. This topic might include eating in casual restaurants, more formal restaurants, at people's homes, in public (on the street), tipping, etc. As always, if you have any questions, feel free to email me at [<tonysensei@mac.com>](mailto:tonysensei@mac.com).

- Trip planning (choosing a destination, travel agents, etc.)
- Airports, Airplanes
- Taxis, trains, buses, and other transportation
- Accommodations (hotels, motels, hostels)
- Starting conversations with strangers
- Making friends
- Medical - routine and emergency
- Other emergencies (fire, robbery, accidents) and getting help
- Manners (eating, disagreements, safety)
- Restaurants (tips)
- Shopping
- Homestay
- School
- Culture shock