

/cb/ (F um) my name is CVCV CVCVCVC /ce/
/cb/ today is june second two thousands thirteen /ce/
/cb and/ and I will be talking about travel /ce and/
/cb so/ (F um) so my whole life (F um) our family has done a lot of traveling /ce so/
/cb/ (d3 it's sort of) my parents (d1 don't) (r1 have) have never really bought us stuff /ce/
/cb/ they would rather put their money towards experiences /ce/
/cb so/ so (s1 we) (F um) I've been to more countries than states and almost as many continents /ce so/
/cb so/ so I'm very grateful for that /ce so/
<cb when> (F um) when I was in fifth grade <ce when>
/cb/ I don't remember (ncb if) if I was ten or eleven (nce if) /ce/
/cb/ (F um) it's a little fuzzy /ce/
<cb because> cause it was so long ago <ce because>
/cb but/ but (F um) our family took a trip /ce but/
/cb/ our grandparents decided (ncb to) to take us on a trip down to the galapagos (nce to) /ce/
/cb which/ which (icb) I think (ice) actually will be closed to tourism soon /ce which/
/cb which/ which is unfortunate /ce which/
<cb because> cause it's so cool <ce because>
/cb but/ but (F um) on the trip down there we joked (qcb that) that hey we visited texas (qce that) /ce but/
<cb because> because we were in the airport <ce because>
/cb but/ but my mom said (qcb) it didn't count (qce) /ce but/
/cb so/ so (dm you know) whatever /ce so/
/cb but/ (F um) but on our way down we stopped in the houston airport /ce but/
/cb and/ and then we (F um) had another leg down to ecuador /ce and/
/cb and/ and then from there we took a one hour flight out to the islands (F um) on this rickety plane (rcb that) that I was convinced ((ncb)) it was gonna fall out of the sky ((nce)) (rce that) /ce and/
<cb because> because it was creaking <<cb as>> as it was flying <<ce as>> <ce because>
/cb and/ and it was really freaky /ce and/
/cb but/ but (dm you know) (r2 it was) it was cool /ce but/
/cb/ (r1 we) we landed /ce/
/cb and/ and we didn't die /ce and/
/cb so/ so it was ok /ce so/
<cb but when> (F um) but when we got there <ce but when>

/cb/ (F um) we all got loaded onto (F um) these little boats (rcb that) that took us to the main boat (rce that) /ce/
/cb/ I guess (ncb) you could say (nce) /ce/
/cb/ (F um) there were forty eight people (F um) (d2 on our) /ce/
/cb/ it wasn't really a cruise exactly /ce/
<cb because when> cause when I think cruise <ce because when>
/cb/ I think those big behemoth boats (rcb that) ((rcb1 that)) that are just ridiculous ((rce1 that)) ((rcb2 and)) and hold a thousand people or something ((rce2 and)) (rce that) /ce/
/cb but/ (F um) but there were forty eight of us /ce but/
/cb/ (F um) there were a few kids (F um) mostly adults mostly old people /ce/
/cb but/ but that was ok /ce but/
<cb because> <<cb1 because>> cause I was young <<ce1 because>> <<cb2 and>> and I wanted (ncb to) to be friends with everybody (nce to) <<ce2 and>> <ce because>
/cb so/ so (d0_1 s) I made friends with everybody /ce so/
<cb but when> (F um) but when we got there <ce but when>
/cb/ we were all exhausted /ce/
/cb so/ so we went to bed yada yada /ce so/
/cb/ (F um) (d1 when) (F uh) the next day (F um) they took us ashore /ce/
/cb and/ and we went on (p a) hike /ce and/
/cb and/ and it was a lot of fun /ce and/
/cb and/ and of course I got <cb pp> yelled at <ce pp> /ce and/
<cb because> because I had the tendency (acb to) ((acb1 to)) to run ahead of everybody else ((ace1 to)) and ((acb2 to0)) get lost ((ace2 to0)) (ace to) <ce because>
/cb so/ so they had to make sure (ncb) I kept <<cb where>> where I was supposed to <<ce where>> (nce) /ce so/
/cb but/ but one of the little girls she was about six /ce but/
/cb and/ and she was really shy /ce and/
/cb but/ but she got all excited /ce but/
<cb because> because there was someone (rcb who) who'd like to do active things (rce who) <ce because>
/cb and so/ and so she had her dad come up to me /ce and so/
/cb/ he's like (qcb) my daughter was wondering ((ncb if)) if you would be her friend ((nce if)) (qce) /ce/
/cb and/ and I said (qcb) oh yeah sure of course I'll be her friend (qce) /ce and/
/cb and so/ and so that was the start of a glorious one week relationship /ce and so/
/cb/ it was awesome /ce/

/cb/ (F um) we had a really good time /ce/
/cb/ she was adorable /ce/
/cb/ (F um) her and her family were from argentina /ce/
/cb and so/ and so (r3_1 I I th) (r2 I was) I was happy <cb that> that I had a friend <<cb while>> while I was there <<ce while>> <ce that> /ce and so/
<cb because> (F um) because my brother is a little standoffish sometimes <<cb when>> when he's with other people <<ce when>> <ce because>
/cb/ (d4 he doesn't like to) (d2 he like) (d1 he's) he likes (ncb to) to pretend <cb that> that we're not related <ce that> (nce to) /ce/
/cb so/ so it's ok /ce so/
/cb but/ but we get along sometimes /ce but/
/cb/ (F um) in any case (F um) there was also (F um) (F uh) (s1 a) other set of siblings /ce/
/cb and/ (F um) and we spent a lot of time with them /ce and/
/cb/ they thought (ncb) my brother and I were a little insane (nce) /ce/
<cb because> cause we enjoyed (ncb ing) jumping off the top of the boat (nce ing) <ce because>
/cb but/ but that's alright /ce but/
/cb/ it was fun anyway /ce/
/cb/ they were missing out on a good time /ce/
/cb/ (F um) one of the things (rcb that) that I remember very (r_1 clear) clearly ironically (rce that) <cb because> cause it's about clear water <ce because> but (F um) was (ncb that) ((ncb1)) that we would stand on the boat ((nce1)) ((ncb2 and)) and we'd be in sixty to seventy foot deep water ((nce2 and)) ((ncb3 and)) and you could look straight down ((nce3 and)) ((ncb4 and)) and see straight to the bottom ((nce4 and)) (nce that) /ce/
/cb/ it was that clear /ce/
/cb and/ and (r2 it was) it was amazing /ce and/
/cb/ (F um) you didn't actually get a lot of sunsets /ce/
<cb while> while you were there <ce while>
<cb because> cause sunsets are created by (r1 the) the particles in the air blah blah blah <ce because>
/cb/ I'm getting my biology brain on again /ce/
<cb but so while> but (F um) so while we were there <ce but so while>
/cb/ apparently we got really lucky /ce/
<cb because> cause we got one sunset <ce because>
/cb and/ (F um) and (r2 it was) it was pretty spectacular /ce and/
/cb/ it was very very beautiful /ce/

/cb/ (F um) another thing (rcb that) that was pretty awesome (rce that) /ce/
<cb because> because that's another great adjective <ce because>
<cb because> cause (d1 it) I don't know (ncb how to) how to exactly describe it (nce how to)
<ce because>
<cb but/ but the animals there (r1 are) are (F um) not afraid of humans /ce but/
<cb because> because they haven't been conditioned <cb to> to be afraid of humans per se
<ce to> <ce because>
<cb and so/ and so (F um) you could basically walk up to the wildlife all of the wildlife /ce and
so/
<cb like/ like you would get in the water /ce like/
<cb and/ and the sea lions would swim to you /ce and/
<cb and/ and they'd play with you /ce and/
<cb/ (d4 we have a a) we have a video of my brother <cb ing> playing in the surf with one of
the baby sea lions <ce ing> /ce/
<cb/ it was so cool <LAF> /ce/
<cb and when> (F um) and when you snorkel <ce and when>
<cb/ they would come up /ce/
<cb and/ and swim around you /ce and/
<cb while> while you were snorkeling through the water <ce while>
<cb and/ and (d4 it was really really) (r2 it was) it was really cool /ce and/
<cb/ (F um) (F um) on the other they have a tradition there /ce/
<cb/ they have this old post office /ce/
<cb/ it's not really a post office /ce/
<cb but/ but (ncb what) what you do (nce what) is (ncb) ((ncb1)) you go ((nce1)) ((ncb2
and)) (F um) and you leave a card ((nce2 and)) (nce) /ce but/
<cb/ you put your address /ce/
<cb/ you write a little note /ce/
<cb and/ and then you go through all the ones (rcb that) that are there (rce that) /ce and/
<cb and/ <cb and if> and if you find one (rcb that) that is (F um) from ((ncb where)) where
you live ((nce where)) (rce that) <ce and if> /ce and/
<cb/ you're supposed <cb to> to take it <ce to> /ce/
<cb and/ and then hand deliver it to the people (rcb that) that is addressed to (rce that) /ce
and/
<cb so/ (F um) so we left one /ce so/
<cb and/ and we actually found one from there /ce and/
<rcb which/ which was cool /rce which/

/cb/ (d2 I was) (r2 I didn't) I didn't deliver it /ce/
/cb/ my parents did /ce/
/cb but/ but (dm you know) that was still fun /ce but/
/cb but/ (F um) but we left one /ce but/
/cb and/ and about a month later <<cb after>> after we got home <<ce after>> /ce and/
/cb/ we got it in the mail /ce/
/cb/ a family in germany picked it up /ce/
/cb and/ and mailed it to us /ce and/
/cb and/ and (d2 we're like) I think (ncb) you missed the point of the experience (nce) /ce
and/
/cb/ (l like) you're supposed <cb to> to pick it up <ce to> /ce/
/cb but/ (d1_2 and deliv) but whatever it was ok /ce but/
/cb/ apparently there's a redman in germany (rcb which) which is ((ncb where)) where we
live ((nce where)) (rce which) /ce/
/cb and so/ and so they got all confused /ce and so/
/cb but/ but that's ok /ce but/
/cb/ we got our postcard back /ce/
/rcb which/ which was fun /rce which/
/cb/ (F um) a downside to the trip a little bit was (ncb that) that (F um) one of the guides
(rcb who) who was there (rce who) (nce that) /ce/
/cb/ (F um) he was best known for his penguin call /ce/
/cb/ there're penguins in galapagos (icb) found the story (ice) /ce/
/cb but/ (F um) but he got kidney stones about halfway through the trip /ce but/
/cb and so/ and so they had (acb to) to get him out of there really fast (ace to) /ce and so/
/rcb that/ that was unfortunate /rce that/
<cb because> cuz he was really nice <ce because>
/cb/ I missed him /ce/
<cb when> when he went <ce when>
<cb but while> (F um) but (d1 they) while we were there <ce but while>
/cb/ (d1 they) there was this guy (rcb who) who was taking a video of the trip and everything
(rce who) /ce/
/cb and/ and he made DVDs for everybody /ce and/
/cb/ (F um) sometimes I still go back /ce/
/cb and/ and watch it /ce and/
/cb and/ and realize (ncb that) that I was a very awkward (acb ing) looking (ace ing) child
(nce that) /ce and/

/cb but/ but that's ok /ce but/
/cb/ it was fun /ce/
/cb/ I had this awesome pink bathing suit and with snorkels on /ce/
/cb/ (d3 it was just) (r2 it made) it made it awesome /ce/
/cb but/ (F um) but (F uh) (d1 we) one of the other things (rcb that) that we did (rce that) was (ncb) (F um) we went to (p a) wildlife preserve (nce) (icb) I think (ice) /ce but/
/cb and/ and they had the last of his species /ce and/
/cb/ (F um) it was a giant tortoise lonely george /ce/
/cb/ I think (ncb) he just died a few years ago (nce) /ce/
/cb but/ but we got (acb to) to visit him (ace to) /ce but/
/cb and/ and he was the last of his species /ce and/
/cb so/ so he couldn't exactly make new baby lonely georges /ce so/
/cb/ that didn't work that way unfortunately /ce/
/cb but/ (F um) but (dm you know) (d2 he was) (icb) I'd say (ice) it was exciting /ce but/
/cb except/ except for (s3 it didn't really) he didn't really move /ce except/
/cb so/ so (dm you know) /ce so/
/cb/ as a ten year old it's a little hard /ce/
<cb when> when things aren't moving <ce when>
<cb because> cuz you want things <cb to> to be exciting <ce to> <ce because>
/cb/ (F um) on the way back home unfortunately (F um) my mom actually my grandpa my mom and my dad and I all accidentally drank the water /ce/
/cb/ on the way back we had managed <cb to> to drink bottled water the whole time (rcb) we were there (rce) <ce to> /ce/
/cb and/ and then (s2 on the) in the airport back we thought (ncb) we were ok (nce) /ce and/
/cb/ I think (ncb) my grandpa and my dad had ice in their drinks (nce) /ce/
/cb and so/ (F um) and so we all got really really sick /ce and so/
/cb so/ so the plane ride home was not a lot of fun /ce so/
/cb/ (F um) that's most of (ncb what) what I remember from that one (nce what) /ce/
/cb/ (F um) (F uh) last summer (F um) I went on a school exchange to australia for three weeks /ce/
/cb and/ and I stayed with a family /ce and/
<cb while> while I was there <ce while>
/cb/ (F um) <LAF> (icb) I know (ice) (r1 I) I went on my summer vacation <cb to> to go to school for three extra weeks <ce to> /ce/
/cb but/ but that's ok /ce but/
/cb/ it was still a lot of fun /ce/

<cb and while> (F um) and while I was there <ce and while>
/cb/ (d3 it was very) (r1 it) it wasn't hard <cb to> to adjust <ce to> /ce/
/cb but/ but (d5 it was a little bit) it was very very different there /ce but/
/cb/ (dm I mean) (dm you know) you go to a new place /ce/
/cb/ you're expecting (ncb) oh the culture's really different obviously blah blah blah (nce)
/ce/
/cb but/ but I'd never really been to a place /ce but/
/cb and/ and lived with a family /ce and/
/cb or/ or (dm you know) been with the locals (icb) I guess (ice) /ce or/
<cb to> <<cb1 to>> (F um) to (dm you know) do (ncb what) what they do (nce what) <<ce1
to>> <<cb2 and>> and see (ncb what) what they do (nce what) <<ce2 and>> <ce to>
<cb because when> cuz when you go to a place <ce because when>
/cb and/ and (d1 you're) (r3 my my my) my family's more of like (qcb) ((qcb1)) we go to
places ((qce1)) ((qcb2 and)) and we're the tourist ((qce2 and)) (qce) /ce and/
/rcb which/ which (icb) I wish (ice) wasn't as much of a thing /rce which/
/cb but/ but (dm you know) (d1 I) sort of full places /ce but/
/cb so/ so I didn't complain obviously /ce so/
<cb though> (F um) though I was there <ce though>
/cb/ I was sort of in the culture (rcb as) as opposed to (ncb ing) watching it (nce ing) (rce as)
/ce/
/cb and so/ and so I went to school with them /ce and so/
/cb and/ and there were a lot of things (rcb that) that were very very different (rce that) /ce
and/
/cb/ (r2 I mean) (F um) (dm I mean) most of (ncb what) what I noticed (nce what) was at
school /ce/
/cb/ (I like) their school is a lot different than our school /ce/
/cb and/ and maybe I go to a odd school in terms of relationships with students and teachers
/ce and/
/cb/ (F um) I'm very close with my teachers /ce/
/cb but/ (F um) but there (d4 it was a very) it was a business relationship /ce but/
/cb/ the teachers taught /ce/
/cb and/ and the students were supposed <cb to> to pay attention <ce to> /ce and/
/cb but/ but they didn't /ce but/
/cb/ (I like) (dm I mean) the girls (rcb) I spent time with (rce) basically didn't do their
homework ever /ce/
/rcb which/ which was weird for me /rce which/

<cb because> because (d1 our) especially our class is sort of like (qcb) let's do our homework and then some (qce) <ce because>

<cb because> because we're just that over achieving <ce because>

<cb because> cuz (d3 I don't I) it's (qcb) hey it made me do my work (qce) <ce because>

/cb but/ (F um) but that was hard for me <cb to> to watch <ce to> /ce but/

<cb because> because I'm like (qcb) aren't you supposed <<cb to>> to (dm you know) be doing this <<ce to>> (qce) <ce because>

/cb but/ but we got there /ce but/

/cb and/ and they didn't do their homework /ce and/

/cb/ they'd much rather be social /ce/

/cb and/ and be in bed by nine o'clock /ce and/

/cb and/ and that's wasn't really something (rcb that) that I was used to (rce that) /ce and/

/cb so/ so (d2 I had) one of my biggest things was (dm you know) (ncb ing) keeping my mouth shut about it (nce ing) /ce so/

<cb because> because (dm you know) I'm only there for three weeks <ce because>

/cb/ choose your battles /ce/

/cb/ (F um) there were a lot of cultural things too (rcb that) that I was unfamiliar with (rce that) /ce/

/cb/ (F uh) (dm I mean) I'm sure (ncb) they're here just in (r1 my) my small sheltered little community (nce) /ce/

/cb/ we're all very open and everything /ce/

/cb and so/ and so everyone's very accepting /ce and so/

/cb and/ and (r1 they're) they're very (F um) (icb) can't think of the word right now (ice) /ce and/

/cb but/ but (d1 they're) (F um) anyone outside of (r1 their) their own little bubble (l like) /ce but/

<cb> you're not white and australian <ce>

/cb/ (d1 you're) they make jokes about you /ce/

/rcb which/ which was uncomfortable for me personally /rce which/

<cb because> because (icb) I don't know (ice) our school is like everybody all in one place <ce because>

/cb and/ and we're all pretty open about everything /ce and/

/cb so/ so they would make a lot of slurs about things /ce so/

/rcb which/ which was (dm you know) me <cb ing> being all righteous <ce ing> /rce which/

/cb but/ but (d5 it was a little bit) it was hard for me (ncb not to) not to say anything (nce not to) /ce but/

/cb and/ and I probably should have /ce and/
/cb but/ but I didn't /ce but/
<cb because> because (dm you know) there for three weeks <ce because>
/cb and/ and I decided (ncb to) to be friends (nce to) /ce and/
<cb instead of> instead of (dm you know) (ncb ing) having (qcb) ((qcb1)) oh that's the girl
from america ((qce1)) ((qcb2)) (r1 she) (r1 she) (dm you know) she doesn't approve of us
((qce2)) (qce) or something like that (nce ing) <ce instead of>
/rcb which/ (F um) which is probably good /rce which/
<cb because> because then the girl (rcb) I stay with (rce) came and stayed with us for three
weeks <ce because>
/cb so/ so (dm you know) that'd been awkward (qcb) ((qcb1)) oh hey that's the girl (rcb who)
who doesn't like us (rce who) ((qce1)) ((qcb2)) maybe I don't wanna live with her ((qce2))
(qce) /ce so/
/cb/ (d2 that would) that would've been a problem /ce/
/cb/ (F um) I actually got along with my host sister really well /ce/
/cb and/ and she was really happy <cb> I was there <ce> /ce and/
<cb because> because (F um) she didn't quite agree with a lot of (ncb what) what her friends
said (nce what) either <ce because>
<cb because> (F um) because (dm you know) (r1 she) she (l kind of) wishes <ce because>
<cb when> when she came <cb to> to visit (F um) us at our school <ce to> <ce when>
/cb/ she's like (qcb) ((qcb1)) (r1 I) I wish (ncb) I went to your school instead of mine (nce)
((qce1)) <<cb because>> <<cb1 because>> because your guys are a lot more accepting
<<ce1 because>> <<cb2 and>> and you're actually interested in (ncb ing) doing well in
school (nce ing) <<ce2 and>> <<cb3 and>> and you're not <<ce3 and>> <<ce because>>
(qce) /ce/
/cb/ (icb) (F um) <LAF> that was not a sentence (ice) /ce/
/cb but/ <LAF> but in any case yes that was (F um) a very interesting experience for me /ce
but/
/cb and/ and yes that is my story /ce and/