



MIKE'S TRAVELS

www.mtrip.weebly.com

Adventure in India: Mumbai



1

After a long year teaching and living in South Korea, my friend Andrew and I decided we were going to travel to India and see something new and different. India was a country I had only read about in history books and seen pictures of on TV. I had no idea what to expect, but I was excited to pack and plan for the trip. I was going to travel all over India for 3 weeks and it is a big country.

2

Andrew and I left Korea on a plane and flew into Mumbai in April. The first thing I noticed when we arrived in India was the smell. It was unlike anything I had ever smelled before. It was the smell of spice and perfume. The air was warm and humid and the sun was very bright and strong. We were picked up at the airport by a taxi and taken to a small, cheap hotel.

3

Nothing in India was expensive. Everything was very cheap. Small taxis, called "tut tuts", were available everywhere. They would take you anywhere in the city, but they were a little dangerous because they had no doors and they would drive very quickly through crowded streets. There were so many people everywhere. Most of the people I saw looked very poor and had little money. The men wore plain shirts and pants and women wore colorful dresses.

4

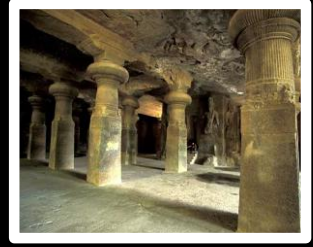
In Mumbai we visited Elephant Island. We took an old boat to the small island. The island had many old caves and stone statues. There were also so many monkeys there. The monkeys were very bad and were always trying to steal our water, camera, and even my bag. After we visited a few more old buildings in Mumbai, Andrew and I headed to the train station to go to our next stop. We were going to Goa, the beach all the foreign people visit and live on in India.

5

India is a very large country so we had to take the train a lot. They have many old trains in India so it is easy to go from place to place. The trains are very slow though and we were on the train for 3 days straight without getting off. The food on the train was not very good though.

6

Mumbai was an interesting city. It was near the ocean and got very hot in the summer. I learned about a sport in Mumbai called Cricket. It is like baseball and everyone plays it outside. Some kids asked Andrew and I to join their team in a game and we gladly accepted. I will never forget Mumbai.



1. When did Mike go to India?

2. Who went with Mike to India?

3. Where did Mike arrive in India?

4. What city in India did Mike visit first?

5. What Island did Mike go to near Mumbai?

6. How do most people in India travel?

7. Did Mike see many rich people?

8. What is the name of the little taxis in India?

9. What did India smell like?

10. Write your own 3 questions
