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In the morning we had to get up very early to get our plain. We decided to stand up one hour earlier because of the snow. So we left our hostel at 7 o'clock! We took a bus to a place where a shuttle bus goes to the airport. This bus was no pleasure to travel. There have been so many people inside the bus that we had a lot of problems with our luggage (Gepäck). But it worked on a way I don't know. With the shuttle bus it was much comfortable. It was a quiet long way to the airport but with this shuttle bus it was OK. We arrived at about 9 o'clock. A few hours too early. But better that way than the other way round. Frist we looked for something to eat. We only found some nudle soup which was not the best one. It was enough to don't feel hungry anymore. At 10:30 we could check in and have been one of the first. Afterwards we got through the safety check. After another long way of waiting for boarding we could get into the plain. It was funny to see all the Chinese people. They couldn't wait to get into the plain and stand up 15 minutes before boarding. It seems that they like to wait. We wait until all the people have been inside. So we didn't have the stress inside the plain with our luggage. At 12:28 we lift up! We flight over Qingdao and had there a very short stopp. There was no time to eat a ice cream we bought.

At 15:30 we arrived in Shanghai. When the plain arrived to get off everybody stand up. They wanted to go out so fast as possible but they couldn't because the docking station didn't dock to the plain. As you see Chinese like it to wait. Also if it is uncomfortable. We waited in our comfortable seats till everybody was out. So didn't had to wait. Then the something great happened. We came to the place where you get your luggage back. Everybody of our plain stand at the first luggage elevator. They made a big traffic jam of people. I couldn't understand why because the sign said nothing. Well I can't read any Chinese but I understand that there will come out no luggage. And they were waiting and waiting and expecting to get there luggage. We were clever and read the signs and found the right one. Nobody standed their. So we left as one of the last the plain and have been the first at the luggage elevator. Then we get out of the airport and had to wait for the taxi very long. It was already dark outside when we got our taxi. It was only a little bit warmer then in Harbin. And the strong wind made it much colder. With the taxi we drove to our hostel and enjoyed Shanghai at night. We had to drive very long. The hostel was next to the city center and there have been a lot of traffic. At least we paid about 60 RMB.

We came into our room and it was much more comfortable as our hostel in Harbin. But it was cold and there was no heater only a airconditioner. After we got ready we started to discover Shanghai. We took the subway which was next to our hostel. That was great that we don't have to walk so far to the next subway station. At the ATM (Kartenautomat) of the subway was a friendly woman from the subway company who helped us to find the right ticket and was. Our first stopp was the KFC to have a cheap dinner. Afterwards we tried to find the shopping street. First we walked the wrong way. At least we found it after we passed "Shanghai Times Square" and the "Peoples Square". We walked straight through the shopping street were a lot of people have been to the "Bund". It was a very long way to walk. But there we had a great few on "Pudong" (TV tower, Jin Mao Tower and the other skyscrapers). We arrived there a little bit to late so all the lights of the buildings. Only the TV tower and another building had some lights. We walked along the Bund and made a lot of pictures. Then we decided to go into a bar. We found one but we went straight out because we didn't wear the right cloth for it. In front of the bar we took a taxi to our hostel. There we felt straight into sleep of this hard day.