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We woke up and had breakfast first. It was great to have a toast with jam and butter, butter and orange juice. Afterwards we get ready to see the highlights of this city. Because I have been here two month ago a knew some nice places to go. So we started with the subway to „Yuan Garden“. We arrived there and saw a very interesting elevator we never seen before. It goes up, a short way straight and then up again. Then we went to the garden. We had to walk there a few meters but it was very interesting to get there. Through some backstreet where normal tourist don't go so often. Nice buildings and the life of Shanghai have been there. We liked it very much. The weather was great but it was freezing cold. Finally we arrived there and a lot of seller wanted to sell us stuff. They said to us: „Do you want to buy watch, bags, shoes, CD's, DVD's? What you need?“ That was awful and they didn't stop it when you said: „No thank you“! In some shops we looked for some gifts and some other things. Then we arrived in the center of the yuan garden where lots of tourist have been. So we watched to that new old buildings. There have been all the fast food things (MC ****, KFC, Starbucks, ...). So it is not that traditionell then it seems. It is made for tourists.

At one place I saw some beautiful chopsticks (Essstäbchen). I only wanted to know the price. Afte the woman said to me 280 RMB I said no thank you. Of course to much so the came down to the price of 210 RMB and asked me what I wanted to pay for them. My answer was 50 RMB in the hope she said OK go away. She made it cheaper and cheaper and I still wanted to pay only 50 RMB. We walked away and made some pictures next to this shop thinking of nothing. The woman came again and wanted to sell it me for a cheaper price. But I still wanted to pay only 50 RMB. On the way to another place she came again and wanted to sell it. But not for my price. To end this game I picked up 50 RMB and said to her I want to pay this amount and not more. She saw the money and said Yes! So I got this chopsticks for 50 RMB.

For lunch we went to Chinese restaurant. It was no real fast food restaurant but also no real restaurant. The food we ordered was OK. On another table I saw a kind of bread and I decided to have such a bread too. So we ordert one. The tast was like the tast of langosch. After we ate we went straight to the Bund where we so all the skyscrapers of Shanghai. It was again amazing to see the skyline. So we walked along the Bund till the tourist tunnel which goes under the water and all the light effects. When we arrived the other side we went straight to the Jin Mao Tower. It began to getting dark outside. Just in time we arrived at „Cloud Nr. 9“ (thats how the bar in the 87'the floor is called, so you only have to pay for a drink). We saw everything by daytime and saw the sunset from the top. It was a great thing to see such kind of view. Only great! It is not possible to say that in words you have to see it by yourself. We went down and went to a big shopping center. There I looked for toys like Lego and Transformers. After your visit in the toy shop we went to a big supermarket and bought some things.

With the subway we went on the other side of the river to have a view on the skyline at night. It was great again to se all the skyscrapers at night. There were so many lights. Our trip through Shanghai was very long so we decided to go back to our hostel and have a rest. After we recovered we went by taxi to the „Glamours Bar“ which was next to the Bund. There we have been yesterday too but today no party was going on. After one drink we went home again and went straight to our bed. It was a great day were we see a lot of things of Shanghai.