

## **A Review of our Trip to the Museum Of Chinese in America**

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The first thing we did on our trip to the MOCA was go for a walk around Chinatown. The lady who ran our tour was very good. We learned about one of the big areas, which has so many banks and shops it has become the Business and Commercial District. Two statues grace this area, one of Confucius and one of Lin Zexu, who fought in the Opium Wars. After that we continued on to a tourist area. There were some shops there and also a very good restaurant where we stopped for lunch. There was lots of delicious food to eat! I've never been so full!

After lunch, we went back to the MOCA and learned about the Chinese in America through objects and pictures. We were given a box of questions to answer. The Chinese Exclusion Act said that Chinese laborers were being sent home and weren't allowed in because they were causing unrest. But it seems to me like the Chinese were the ones mostly being attacked.

We talked about persecution and the largest Chinese Catholic Church in the city for a bit, and then it was time to leave. I had a really good day.