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We read the first part of the Olympics article, and discussed the fact that some of the information was already out of date. I pointed out how the paper had to be printed in mid-January, before we knew that North Korea would be participating. Hyun ju is particularly knowledgeable about what is happening at the games. I gave the students a list of the winter sports and how many athletes from each of their countries were participating. Jing sun and Rainbow pointed out that China did not have a lot of areas for skiing, and explained that winter sports for them was mostly indoor so skating was more popular.

We also looked at a video of curling, since only one student knew what that was.

After break, we played Jeopardy, using the categories Opposites, Plurals, Name 3, (they had to name 3 items of a given subject, example, '3 things that are yellow'), the US, and 'Have, Make or Do' (they were given words such as "party" and tell whether to use have, make or do as the verb). Students worked in pairs for this. They really enjoyed choosing harder or easier questions for points. Students were asked for suggestions of topics if we played this again. They particularly wanted more on the US, and suggested we use articles from Easy English News to develop questions.

For the last 10 minutes, we chose two conversation starters - first, "Would you rather spend a week in the past or a week in the future?" and second, "Would you rather live at the beach or in a cabin in the mountains?"

Young hye got the most agreement for her answer that she would like to spend time in the past so she buy Microsoft stock then and be rich now..,