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Final Thoughts



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Yesterday was the exam, so today I am saying goodbye to my students. This kind of goodbye is really different from most of the goodbyes I have experienced. Usually you know pretty clearly if you will ever see someone again. Leaving China is different because it is truly ambiguous. I want to come back, and I am sure I will, but I do not know if I will come back to this school with these students.

During the oral exam I asked the students what they liked best about the class. There were lots of similar answers ranging from learning about American culture and customs, to playing games (Bingo was the big favorite), to just meeting foreigners. My favorite answer came from a student reminded me of the day when some students found a little puppy in the middle of the street. I knew the puppy was so little that there was really no hope for it. We stopped the class and sent for milk and a dropper. I held the puppy's mouth open and some students took turns feeding it. The student told me that she was always afraid of dogs, but when she saw me holding it, she wanted to pet it too. In fact, she had helped to feed it for several minutes.

The fragile, brief beauty of that puppy is the way I will remember China. Despite the dirt and the hardworking peasants, the roughness of the buildings and the coarseness of the conditions, when

I think of China I will remember the brief, beautiful moments: watching cranes fishing the rice fields, children shouting hello from bicycles, and my students walking back out the gates.



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