

Dear Chris,

How are you? I know that you are going to visit Hong Kong this summer. Where do you want to go? Any ideas? If no, I can help you out! Your dad told me that you'd like to spend a day visiting the historical sites to learn more about local traditions and cultures, so I will plan an itinerary for you.

As you have only one day, I'd like to purpose three historical sites: Tang Ancestral Hall, Kat Hing Wai and Yi Tai Study Hall. All these are declared monuments which have a long history. I think you'd like them.

That morning, I would take you to the Tang Ancestral Hall in Ping Shan. It was constructed by the Tang clan in Yuan Dynasty (1271 - 1368). It's a magnificent three-hall structure with two internal courtyards which people used for ancestral worship, celebrations, ceremonies and meetings by the Tang clan. It represents traditional customs of villagers.

Next, we'll go to Kat Hing Wai in Kam Tin. It is located just outside the town of Yuen Long. This is a walled village installed with an iron gate. There are guard house towers surrounded by a moat. They are used for protection from pirates and even tigers! You can experience the atmosphere of this sort of culture.

Finally, we can go to Yi Tai Study Hall nearby. As its name suggests, it is an important school in the early 18th century (Qing Dynasty). You can feel how tough the students were in the past. How lucky we are now!

I hope you'll like my proposed itinerary. If you have any questions, feel free to contact me. Bye for now!

Regards,  
Sean