

My Mom's Immigration Story

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My name is Zayszo and I am a 3rd grade student in High Tech Elementary School. We are currently doing a project on immigration and so we interviewed people that immigrated to the United States. I interviewed my mom and she had a nice story. Hope you enjoy it.

My mom lived in Japan. She had 1 sister and 1 brother. In her childhood everything was close together, for an example she could walk to school and walk to the store.

My mom left when she was young and just finished college. She left because she got married to an american that was just visiting Japan and she took a plane. The trip was ok for her. Her parents were sad because she was going to a different country. So her parents and she made a promise to go back every year.

It was easy for her to learn English and it was easy for her to speak it but because of her accent it was hard for people to understand her. For an example when she said the l or r sound people would be like, "what?". She would be frustrated because they did not understand her.

But in the end life is exciting and is like an adventure to her. She went to school on how to cut hair and she has a business of her own now.

So when I heard that she moved to a whole different country just because she got married, it kind of surprised me. I learned that when you try hard for something or someone you will not regret it.