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GETTING AROUND

Take the Tube! It's cheap, fast and gets you anywhere in London on-time. You'll meet plenty of chatty people here, too. Despite terrorist attempts to instill fear, Londoners bravely carry on in defiance of the terrorists' evil deeds. An excellent website in response to the attacks which you really should visit is: <http://www.werenotafraid.com/> which has submissions from all over the world with the goal of showing "the world that we're not afraid of what happened in London, and that the world is a better place without fear."

Two good websites for information regarding travel in London and public safety are: <http://www.tfl.gov.uk/tfl/> and <http://www.direct.gov.uk/N11/Newsroom/PublicSafety/fs/en>.

I actually saw the Harry Potter 9 3/4 wall in the Knightsbridge station. My friends laughed but were impressed by my accidentally stumbling upon this little piece of what turns out to be non-fiction. The famous Double-Decker city buses are good, but move a little slower. It's best to purchase a package of tickets for the Tube, Rail, and bus lines at the Visit Britain center or online at <http://www.visitbritain.com>. Taxi fare is about 2 pounds per kilometer. I talked a cabbie into switching seats with me and letting me sit in his right-hand driver's seat for a photo. "Crazy American" he called me.

ACCOMODATIONS

Stay at any of the YHA hostels for inexpensive, super-clean, safe stay. I visited the Oxford Street hostel and was very impressed. Cost is approx. 22 GBP per night. <http://www.yha.org.uk> If you prefer a hotel, Premier Travel Inn is inexpensive, new and has a helpful staff. Approx. 47 GBP per night for a double bed room. www.travelinn.co.uk

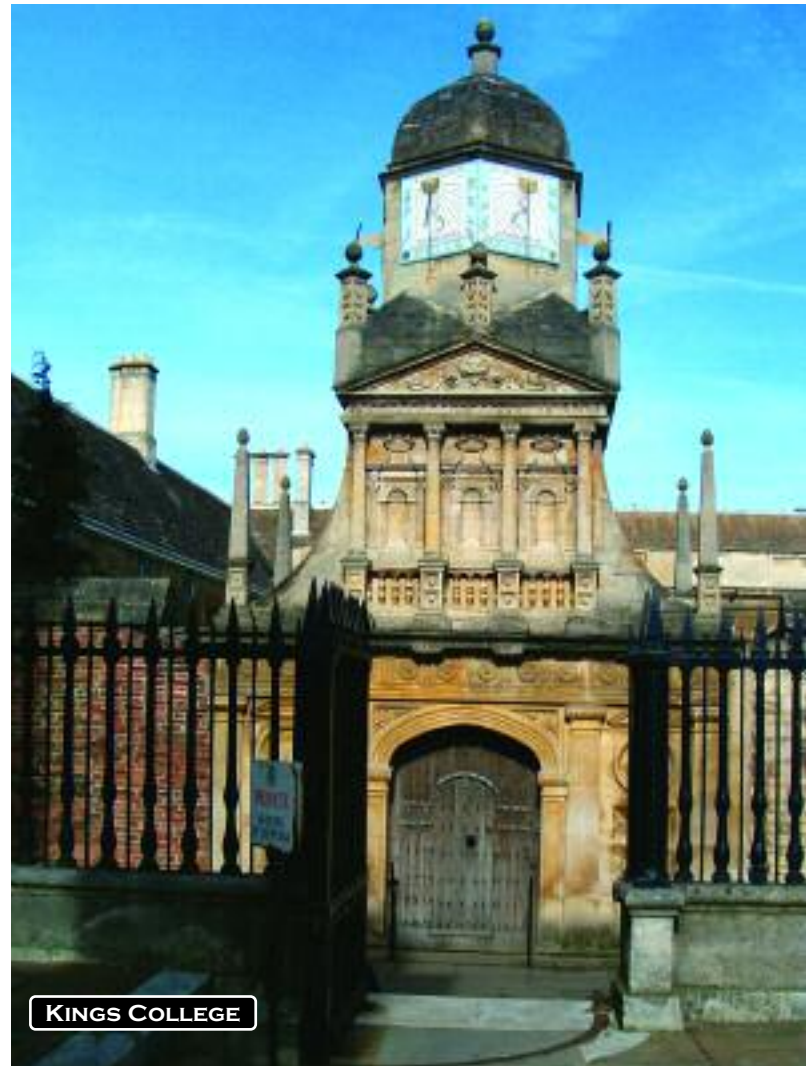
As I left London on a rainy day, it was clear to me that this fascinating city has a stimulating effect on most all that visit. London sends you off in a good mood.

The people are welcoming and friendly and the statuesque architecture takes your breath away. The streets are surrounded by finely manicured hedges and the city is so full of life, it's contagious. Just get there and have the adventure of a lifetime.

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