

Selected Observations and Explanations

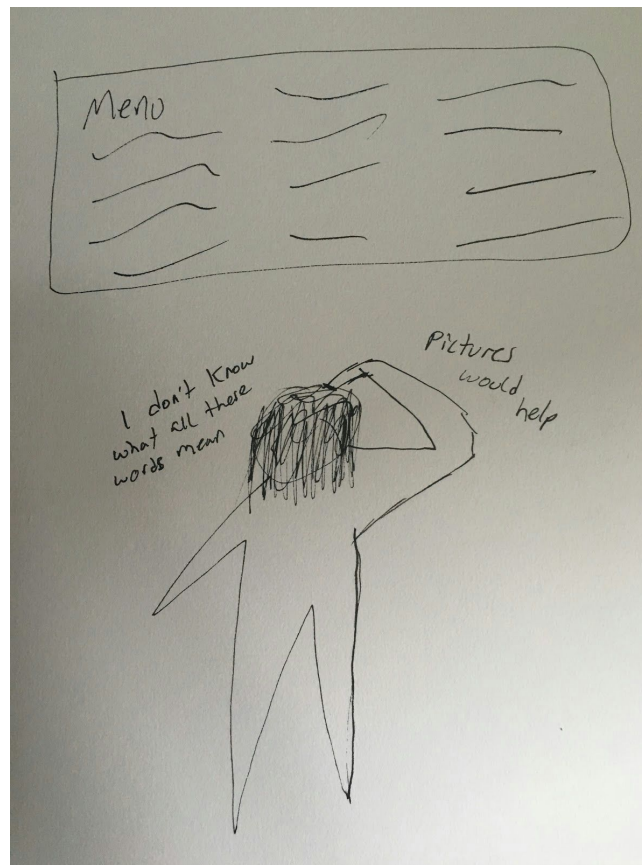
Mrs. Zhao cares about her daughter's study (supervises her daughter practicing piano)

Throughout the interview, Mrs. Zhao told me a lot of stories about her daughter's experience at her new school. She definitely appreciated the high quality education resources here and how it affected her daughter's development. Around 3pm, her daughter came back from school. Mrs. Zhao asked her daughter to practice piano before playing/entertainment. She reminded her daughter the No.1 Policy of the family is to finish things she should do before doing anything else. From this observation, I conclude that Mrs. Zhao put her daughter's study into the most important position. I can infer that part of the reason the family moved to this community is that good local educational institutions satisfy this need.



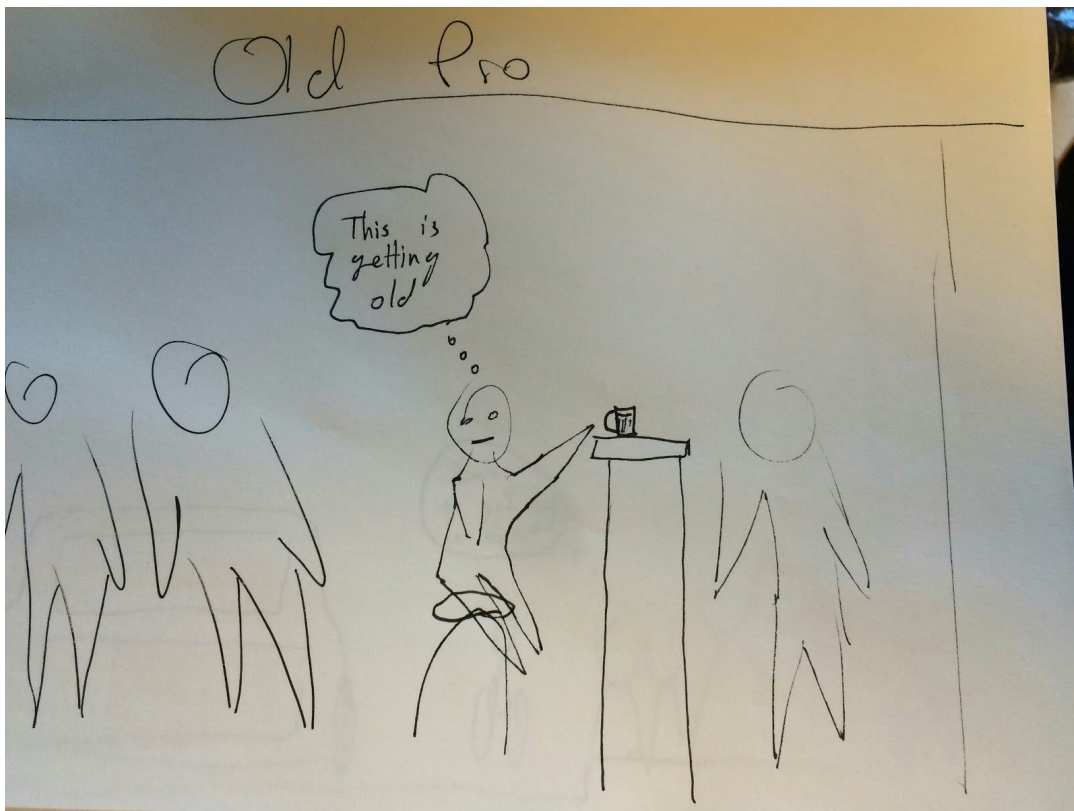
Mrs. Zhao is not accustomed to the style of ordering (different ordering systems in different countries)

When she visited a burger store first time in the U.S., the counter clerk asked him a lot of choices of sauces and vegetables to be added to the burger (in China, food, especially fast food, is ordered by a single tag. No customized items need to be specified). Mrs. Zhao did not recognize most of them due to lack of vocabulary. So she asked the counter clerk put whatever works fine for a good taste. The counter clerk seemed rather panic and insisted her to make a choice. Mrs. Zhao felt uncomfortable about this and told me why they did not put all the choices in the menu. From her story, I can see Mrs. Zhao struggles from getting used to the new ordering system in a different country.



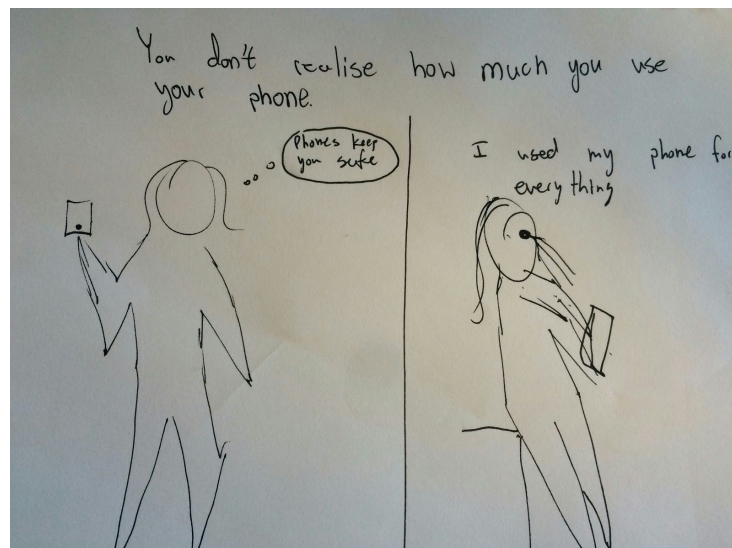
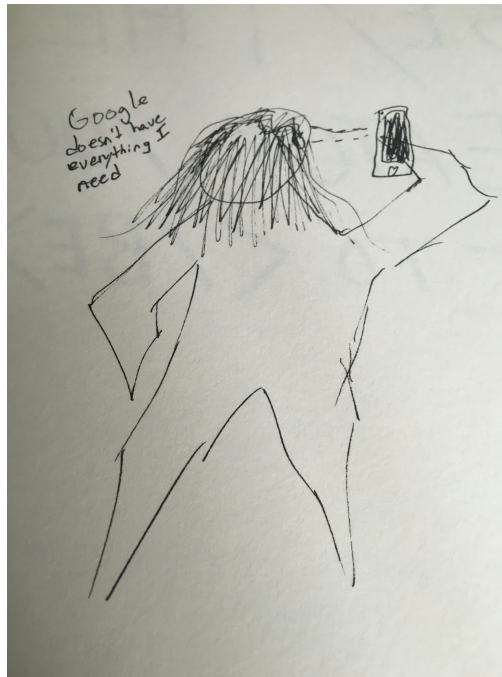
Jason doesn't know many people

When he goes out and tries to meet people it can be difficult to make connections with people because they already have a friend group and they aren't necessarily looking to make new friends. The bar scene and other places that people in their young 20s hang out is more gearing towards meeting people of the other gender and not friends in general.



Jacklyn has no aggregated community info

Google is great to find the way to a place but there is no list of resources for a new graduate student to take advantage of upon moving to London. No collections exist of things that students might specifically be looking for (work spots, community centers, etc.)



Jacklyn said that if you don't hit up a connection 2 days after you meet, it's gone. If you don't follow up within 48 hours of meeting you wasted the energy extending yourself

Jacklyn repeatedly stressed the importance of reconnecting with a person within 48 hours of the initial encounter. She said that either party would forget to reach out or the momentum would just fade. Jacklyn said she's had this happen to her 3 times

