

Anything to declare...?

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How often have you heard these words as you stand in line or sit in line to re-enter Canada after a trip?

And how often have you been scratching your head wondering if you remembered everything, or added it up correctly?

As a professional speaker and trainer, I often have the privilege of traveling to the USA and occasionally other countries to share my Ideas At Work! Seven countries on 3 continents so far.

Despite the romantic notion of world travel and the opportunity to meet people from around the globe, being on the road is not always fun. Late flights, rushed food, not enough sleep, missed connections and varying conditions for food, service and accommodation can take their toll. But I wouldn't miss it for anything - **I love what I do!**

But I have to admit, there are times when I've flown 6 1/2 hours and had a delay or two enroute that I really want to answer the question "Anything to declare...?" with a simple, tired, **"Yes, I'm glad to be home and I'm glad to be a Canadian."**

How about you?

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