Hi Folks, my friend Victoria sent me out to her Aunt and Uncle in Calgary, Alberta, Canada. Her Uncle, Don, took me on an adventure out to see world famous Banff National Park, just over an hour away.

This picture was taken just west of the city of Calgary, on a hill overlooking the mountains and foothills.
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This is at the entrance to Banff National Park. Don quickly snapped this picture for me as we drove by.
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This is at the entrance to the Town of Banff, I’m down there in the bottom right of the sign.
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There I am, a bit closer.
The man behind me was named “Wild” Bill Peyto. He used to guide people around these mountains before there were any roads or cars or trains through this area.
Peyto glacier is named after him.
I wonder what Bill Peyto was really like?
Her I am standing in the Town of Banff. What a beautiful place. That’s Mount Cascade in the background. The street behind me is called Banff Avenue, it’s the main street in Banff with many shops and restaurants and a really neat candy store that is small and crowded, with candy from all over the world.
Don and I had okay weather, the sun came out sometimes, and there wasn’t many clouds, so you could see the mountains. They sure are BIG!!
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This is Mount Rundle in the background, another of the many mountains around Banff.
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This is Bow Falls.
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Here we are overlooking the majestic Banff Springs Hotel. Wow!! Look at the size of that place!!
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I can’t believe that I am getting to see all this stuff. Thanks Don!!
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Wow look at this place!!
This is Lake Louise! Wow! How beautiful!

Notice how the lake is only partially frozen. Don says that in January, when the lake is completely frozen, you can cross country ski to the end. They also build an ice castle and clear an area to skate on, and they also have an ice sculpture contest. Cool!!
Behind me just above my left hand (on your right) in the trees is the roof of the Lake Agnes Tea House, and the mountain above my head and other hand is called the Big Beehive. Don says that there is a trail up to the tea house and from there to the top of the Big Beehive, he says he can make it to the top of the Big Beehive in two hours. Wow, that’s a lot of climbing.
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This is a plaque commemorating the Rocky Mountain National Parks as a World Heritage Site.

I can see why, this place is so beautiful.
In the valley behind me and Lake Louise is Mount Victoria, and the Victoria Glacier. Don says the wall of Mount Victoria is about 4 miles away from where I am standing. You can’t see it from here, but Don tells me there is another tea house back there to the right.
This is the Chateau Lake Louise, another “castle” in the wilderness.

Wow, Banff and Lake Louise sure are beautiful.

Thanks Don for showing me around!!