

MY TRIP TO ICELAND

The 5th October one of my biggest adventures started. Me, my friends and my three teachers flew to Iceland. We got the opportunity to visit it thanks to Erasmus. We were there for nearly a week and it was great experience.

First I was a little scared to come to a completely new environment and to the family where I was staying but as I look back, I couldn't ask for more. Everyone was so friendly and what was really nice, was to see the always happy and loving family together and for a while I had the possibility to be a part of it. They took me on a boat where we were fishing and caught two fish and in the evening we had them for dinner. I have never eaten such a fresh fish. Every meal that they cooked was really good and original. They also took me to a café and stopped when I wanted to take a picture because the weather was really nice. Then we rode up a hill and walked around for a bit. The view was so beautiful I didn't want to go back home. When I had some free time I went out with the girl I was staying with. She was nearly my age and we had a lot in common which was really nice because we just talked all the time. She showed me around and what was interesting was that Iceland doesn't have forests (only small ones). One time we went ice skating which was really fun. We also went to a swimming pool - there was a pool that was the coldest one in the city and also one that had more than 40°C.

The city we were staying in was quite small and nothing was too far away. Everywhere we wanted to go was just a few minutes by foot. School was just 5 minutes away which was a nice change. We did some really interesting activities and I met some nice people. Everyone who was in Erasmus program went to a university where we did a few ice breaking activities like arming robots and fighting with them. When we went back to the school we learned how to use eTwinning program and did presentations about brownfields - about how each country tries to do something with their brownfields, if they already did something and if yes then what. Then we presented them and also uploaded them to eTwinning. Usually we worked in international groups so we got to know each other more which I think worked because I am still in contact with a few people and I hope I will see them soon. The program included a trip to their town hall where they showed us how the city want to replace brownfields with new buildings and also told us the whole process of building such a residence which was quite interesting in contrast to Czech Republic.

During one day we went on a big trip through the nature. We visited huge waterfalls where we were for nearly an hour because everyone wanted to see them from every possible angle. Next we went to lava fields which were also very beautiful. One of the Icelandic teachers told us that we could see faces in the rocks and I really saw them. Then we visited sulphuric area which smelled really bad but was really cool to watch because the gases were coming from the ground. We also walked up a big crater and went around the top part of it and finally we could go relaxing to Blue lagoon. When the whole day was over everyone was really tired but I think everyone found it really exciting.

I am so thankful to be chosen for this trip and for meeting new people. I have a lot of great memories that will last for a very long time.



