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# Learning Languages At Esayan High School



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## MEETING IN LUBLINIEC - POLAND

Our sixth meeting for the Comenius Project took place in Lubliniec, Poland between 3-9 February. Our 11FLD students and a student from 10FLD took part in this meeting. As in all the previous meetings, we were warmly welcomed by our Polish colleagues and the host students.

On the first day, we listened to some presentations about Lubliniec, Poland and their school prepared by Polish students. Our students took part in some workshops on literature on the same day. All the guest and host students had the chance to get to know each other better both with some ice-breakers and the welcome party organized at school in the evening.

In the following days, we had some nice trips to Jasna Gora Sanctuary and Koszecin, where we watched some performances by a famous Dance Ensemble. We also had a very nice day trip to Krakow on a snowy day which had turned the city into a postcard. Some guest students even experienced walking in the snow for the first time. Moreover, seeing the Wieliczka Salt Mine was very impressive for all of us.

As part of our project, all guest students from partner schools performed their presentations about Poland and Wislawa Szymborska poems were recited in their mother tongue. All students attended another workshop on literature on the last day.

Our meeting in Poland ended with a nice traditional Polish dance in the town market in which almost all students and teachers joined and the Farewell Party at school. We, the teachers and our students returned back to Istanbul with new experiences and unforgettable memories.



Variations written based on Go and Open the Door by Miroslav Holub

Go and open the door

May be outside you'll find a key,

The key of happiness.

Go and open the door

Maybe there is a bright light.

Maybe you'll become sun of your own.

You'll illuminate your future if there is need

Even the others...

Go and open the door

If you are discouraged

You will be encouraged.

Go and open the door.

Even if there are many keys

Find the key of success

At least you will become a

Locksmith.

MURAT ÇAKIR - 12 FLD



Go and open the door

May be there are your hopes, chances and ways

Go and open the door

May be you will see yourself or a face

Don't be afraid and open the door

Be ready and decisive

It will be good for you

Open the door

You will see lots of doors behind it

The doors are your methods and ways

Try to open all the doors and don't close until you want



# Why is learning English important?

## THE IMPORTANCE OF ENGLISH

There is no doubt that English is the language of communication among people with different cultures. It is also the language of computers that help to communicate with the people around the world through the Internet and e-mail. Also, one of the reasons that contributed to the spreading of English is that it is the language of the modern era where people use in various fields of life such as economy, medicine and aviation. In addition, it is the language which is used in tourism and travel. These reasons motivate people to learn English.

It is quite clear that English has become a necessity today. We need it in different fields of life. English has become easier to learn more than ever before with the availability of many sources to help people. In conclusion, speaking English is very important in our life.

**LINDA MURATYAN-10FLD**

## FUTURE AND ENGLISH

Language plays an important role in human life. Many people attempt learn it. Out of all the languages in the world, English is considered as an international language. I think you have to have a very good knowledge of English to be educated.

Every employer looks for someone qualified, talented and smart with fluent English which is so important in finding a job. Especially in the business world, scientific world and others, we can't communicate with other people in foreign countries who don't speak our mother tongue.

As a result, English is very important in finding a good job. If you don't know English, it's very hard for you to earn money. You have to learn English to have a better future.

**ERLİN YEŞİLÇEMEN-10 FLD**



### AN UNFORGETTABLE MEMORY

When I hear the word 'Poland', Comenius Project always comes to my mind. It was an amazing experience for me.

I believe it's a great project for students. Because of this project, they can go abroad, see other cultures, lifestyles etc. We went to Poland. At first, it was hard for me because it was cold and I didn't know anyone at school or home. The first days were a bit difficult but later I got used to living there and I didn't want to come back. I saw their churches, streets, schools, the salt mine and lots of other things. We also tried to learn some Polish words. It was difficult but nice. I had great friends there and got on well with them. We made presentations, enjoyed in the school and had a perfect week. On the other hand, I had a bad experience in Krakow. It was very cold and someone tried to steal my purse but these great days made me forget about that day.

To sum up, the most important thing for me is I have a family there and I will never forget them. If I have a chance in the future, I want to go to Poland again and visit my second family and friends. It was an unforgettable week, memory for me. I want to take the time back and live that week again and I would like to say that I had this great experience thanks to my school and teachers.

**KARIN DAĞ - 11FLD**



### COMENIUS PROJECT

In 2011, our school joined the Comenius Project and it was a very good idea. Meeting with new friends and trying to improve our English are just some of the advantages this project has.

Comenius is a very good project which gives a lot of information about other cultures and traditions. You can learn about their lifestyle. Also, you can spend one week with them. The atmosphere is very friendly and comfortable. In this way, you're improving your English skills very well. You can learn more vocabulary and speak more fluently. Having lots of friends from other nations is the best thing. On holidays, you can visit them or they can visit you. Our trip to Poland was unforgettable. We had lots of fun there and I'll never forget this.

On the other hand, some disadvantages of this project can be traditional differences and foods. If your traditions are not the same as their traditions, there can be a little problem about the food. I didn't have any problems in Poland. The home which I stayed in was very tidy and they were very friendly and funny. Their mother had died three years ago from cancer but their father was a good cook and he was doing all the housework. I really respected him.

In conclusion, it was a good opportunity for me. I would like to thank my school and this project.

**ALEKS TORNIK - 11 FLD**



### Sandwich Season

**T**his season is special. Its name is "Sandwich Season". Why do you think it's called "Sandwich Season"? Because in this season it always rains 'sandwiches' when people feel hungry they eat the sandwiches.

In one sandwich you can have salami, cheese, ketchup, mayonnaise. The weather isn't cold and isn't hot. It's 20°C. This season's got 4 months. Their names are Salamimn, Cheeser, Ketchuping and Mayonnaiser. In Cheeser month, sandwiches have got lots of cheese.

All people can eat sandwiches because there are sandwich rains everywhere in the world. If you want the most delicious sandwiches, you should wait for the Salamimn month because I think, when a sandwich has got lots of salami, that sandwich is the best. This season is followed by the winter so people store the sadwiches.

**CAN ÇIĞDEM - GRADE 8**

### The 5<sup>th</sup> Season

**M**y new season is called 'Candyta'.

It's a very special and different season. It's the best season I think. Mostly, children like this season.

The weather is warm in here. The sky is not blue. It is pink and the shape of the clouds are like cotton candies. It's usually sunny but sometimes it snows. It is not cold when it snows. Children make snowball wars while other people swim. Snow is made of ice-cream and sea is made of melted chocolate. Santa Claus comes in this season too. He gives candies to everyone.

People can swim in chocolate or they can ski down the mountains covered with ice-cream. They can drink the rain because it is water with sugar.

This season lasts for three months. It is called Candyta because everything is made of candy. You can also eat everything. This season is like a delicious cake.

**ŞİVA ERTÜRK - GRADE 8**



# What we have watched...



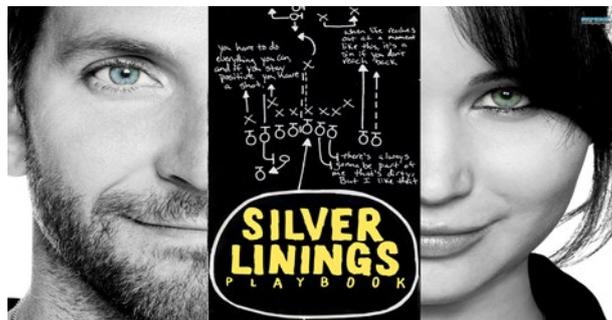
## A Memorable Day

On Monday we went to a musical called *Gulliver's Travels*. I've never been to an English musical before and I really enjoyed it. It took one and half hour and was performed by four talented actors. Their tone of voice, facial expressions and acting was professional. To sum up, it was really good to have the chance to watch that touring theatre group. I'd like to thank to my teachers.

Linda Muratyan

## A Film Review:

*Silver Linings Playbook*, is an American romantic comedy-drama. Bradly Cooper plays Pat Soltano, a man who is released from a psychiatric hospital, goes back home to live with his parents. He suffers from bipolar disorder. Then he meets with Tiffany Maxwell, (Jennifer Lawrence) who is recently- widowed crazy woman.



They become closer and she changes his life. According to me the story is humorous and heartwarming. It's a really impressive movie which will make you smile and aware of people suffer from mental disorders. An interesting fact about the movie is that , the director, David O Russel has a son with bipolar disorder. We understand that life has always its own plans, and yours may not work. So watch the film and have fun.

Erlin Yeşilçimen, 10 FLD

## E-safety Project

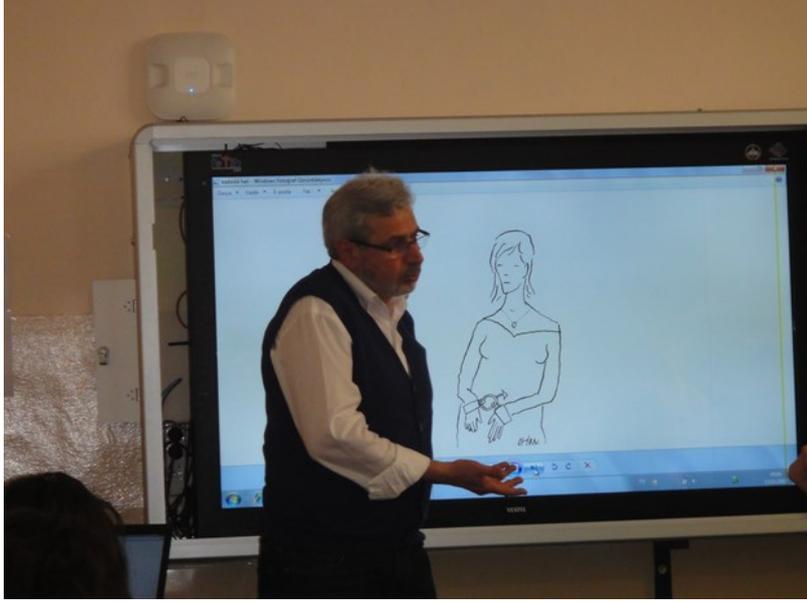
We presented our e-safety project. We learned many things about cyber bullying, netiquette, and surfing safely on the net.



The internet has become part of our everyday lives and is now easier to access than ever before. But using the internet have risks. So by our e-safety project we informed our parents about these risks, and we also learned to get safe online.



# Is caricature an art?



Ohannes Şaşkal, known as Ohan was with us. He told us about the history of the Caricature and showed us some examples. He also mentioned about the difference between the picture and the caricature. Some friends in our class are really good at drawing and they showed their drawings to Ohan to ask for his opinion.

