

Saturday was the departure day. Everyone were excited for the trip to go. We met at Joensuu Airport. There were small problems in the security check but they were easy to solve. While waiting for the plane, we chated with each other and played card.

The first flight did not go well for everyone. Travel sickness. Fortunately, we were already prepared for it.

We waited about four hours in Helsinki. We exchanged the money from euros to zloty, we ate and relaxed.

The flight to Warsaw went better but not perfect.

Warsaw was already green and warm. Everyone got their bags and taxi drove us directly to the train station.

The train trip was interesting. The train was cramped and we had lots of luggage, so there was a shortage of space. However, the journey went well and we talked a lot to kill time and be each others company.

Taxi trip to the hotel was comical. It was fine to accommodate six people with their bags and a driver. However, we got to the hotel.

The school started Monday morning. We woke up, ate breakfast in the hotel and walked to school. At the school we had informal welcome, after that we went to school tour. We walked around the school and got to know the Polish language. After school recognition, we participated in the English class of Polish children.

In the afternoon we watched the play "Snow White". After that, we started making posters which was meant to present our school. Making it was fun, but at the same time we wonder if the presentation is a bit questionable. Before presenting presentation we had a lunch break. We ate in the school cafeteria. The Finnish flag was not raised because it was too big, but we improvised.

There was an official welcome party in the evening. We got some food: French fries, salad and fried chicken. After the meal we went walking and exploring surroundings. We also spent time with the Germans. That



was a good choice!

On Tuesday we visited Lublin's old town. The trip started from Lublin Castle. We had a guided tour. The guide appeared to be a garden gnome. The expressions "ladies and gentlemen" and "my friends" became familiar. We also visited several churches. The guide also told about the city's history.

After the tour, we were able to walk freely in the city. We started off with the Germans, but our way was different when we could not reach consensus. Finns went to have ice cream.

In the afternoon, advance projects were presented.

In the evening some of the people went to eat and walk to the old town.



On Wednesday we visited the business center. We were given a lecture about how the center works and what kind of services it offers to new entrepreneurs. We also had a lecture on biotechnology.

Then we split into two groups. The first group visited the Majdanek concentration camp and another group had a reserved robotics workshop. After an hour, the groups exchanged their places.

In the afternoon we returned to school to eat. Next, there was sport in the program. They offered basketball, wall climbing, football and swimming.

After returning to the hotel, we could relax for a moment. Then we took a taxi and headed to a local shopping center with the Germans.





On Thursday, the day began on a bus trip. In our mini-bus was us, Germans and Romanians. We also sang birthday congratulations to Toni.

The first visit to the day was directed to the glass factory. At this point, scheduling declined. However, the visit to the glass factory was very interesting.

The journey continued to the town of Sandomierz. The first visiting destination was the church. Then we got to eat. The clock was already over three, so everybody started to starve. After the meal the tour continued. After the tour, we got to buy souvenirs. The meeting was at six. At five, it started to rain and in the rain it wasn't so nice to sit in summer clothes.

Like a miracle, we got to the hotel well in advance. We had a table reservation at the hotel restaurant at eight, so we needed hurry.

The evening went to celebrate Toni's birthday. The Germans also participated in the birthday party. We had really good time and the birthday boy was happy.



Friday was the last day. The morning began with the meeting of a Polish MEP. After that we watched plays for a couple of hours.

From the afternoon we had plenty of free time. We decided to take a break at the hotel, after it we left to the city with the Germans.

From the city we walked to the club, where we had an official party celebration. On the dance floor, the noise was terrible and the evening was mostly spent playing billiard. After the issuing of certificates and gifts, we ordered a taxi back to the hotel.

We spent the night together with the Germans in their room tonight. Toni and Jasmin decided to stay awake the whole night. The others slept for a couple of hours.



Sunday was the departure day. We left at half past five in the morning to get to Warsaw. Germans were there to say goodbye to us. The bus trip went well before the onset of motion sickness. We arrived in Warsaw on schedule and took a taxi to the airport.

However, there was an unpleasant surprise at the airport when the taxi driver tried to steal the bags from Noora and Mirja. However, they got their bags back and a lot of laughter was postponed afterwards. Initially, plans were to go to the city, but we decided that it would be better to stay at the airport. There we ate and waited for the starting check-up. From Taksfree we still bought souvenirs.

The flight from Warsaw to Helsinki went well. The change of the plane had to be done half rush, but we got to the plane on time. We were excited to see if the bags would come with us in the same plane. We landed in Joensuu. All the other bags came in the first plane except Mirja's. Mirja got her bag back the next day.