

# REPORT FROM 1<sup>ST</sup> PROJECT MEETING IN TEROR, GRAN CANARIA, SPAIN

## MONDAY 16<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER 2019



We arrived on Gran Canaria Island on **Sunday 15 December 2019** at 11.20 a.m. on a direct flight from Vienna to Las Palmas, which took 5 hours and 20 minutes. We shifted

time 1 hour back. **We were greeted at the airport by the families of the students we were going to stay with for the following week.** I was staying with Leila Raouf, she was 15 as me, Leila, her dad and brother picked me up at the airport and took me home **to the town of Teror**, about a 40 minute drive from the capital

Las Palmas towards the mountains. I was greeted at home by Leila's mum and her dog Nina. Leila showed me to my room and around the large two-story house. Then I unpacked my suitcase and relaxed a bit. After less than an hour we all drove to a local restaurant for lunch. Leila's



parents ordered local specialties, which we all shared. When we got home, we watched a movie. And at 4 p.m., my friend and I went to the shopping mall in Las Palmas, where we browsed the different shops and had dinner at a cafe, we had pancakes and went home.

On Monday I got up at 7 a.m. and I had yogurt and cookies for breakfast. The



school starts at 8:00. The walk took us only 7 minutes. At the school we were all welcomed **(students and teachers from Poland, Slovenia, Czech Republic, France and the**



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hosting Canary Islands) and went to an auditorium with a stage and a screen. The partners from Scotland were supposed to come, but they couldn't because their project money hadn't arrived yet. It was a pity. **The local students performed a dance and music**



**performance and the teachers opened the project and introduced the programme for the forthcoming days. Then students from each country presented presentations and videos about their country and school,**

which they had worked on in their schools before going to the international project meeting. All the presentations took about 2 hours.



Then we had a half hour break

for a snack and at eleven o'clock we left for the town centre of Teror. **First we were invited to the local radio station where first the teachers and then some students took part in a live broadcast, presenting the project and answering questions of the presenter.** This was all carried out **in Spanish.** This was followed by a walk through the town of Teror to the town hall. **At the town hall, the mayor welcomed us,** greeted us, wished us luck in our work on the project

and we received several gifts. Then we went to the town for sightseeing. First we visited the local cathedral's sacral museum and then, divided into 2 groups, we





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visited several sights with a guide who talked to us in English - the cathedral, the museum of handmade perfumes, interesting houses with typical balconies and other

sights. We returned to the school at 2.00 p.m. because at this time the school finishes, there are buses waiting to take the students to nearby and distant villages where they would not otherwise get to.

I walked home with my host Leila. **At home we had lunch at 2.30 pm with the whole family**, which is quite usual in Spain. Lunch in Spain is followed by a **siesta** - a rest. I unpacked some things from my suitcase and watched a movie with Leila. At 5 p.m. we were supposed to meet the other girls and their hosts in the town, so we went to wait for them. And then we went to a local pizza place for dinner where they had very good pizza and chatted until 8 p.m. and then went home and went to bed.

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