

My Trip to Kinsale, Ireland 2016

In February 2016, I went to Ireland for seven weeks. I flew to Cork, but stayed in Kinsale, a small village at the south coast of Ireland. Thankfully, I had a lovely host family.

I went to the Kinsale community school, and there were some differences to the Goethe Gymnasium Karlsruhe. I had to wear a school uniform, which was strange at first, but after a few days, I got along with it. We had some lessons in classroom-containers, because they will get a new building in the next few years and French in English was a bit confusing but all in all, it wasn't that different from my school.

The most popular sport in Ireland is rugby. I watched many games on tv and some in real. Many teenagers play an instrument and some of the younger girls do irish dancing (you should definitely watch at least a video of them).



I was there during two weeks of holidays, so we had lots of time to visit Cork, the old head of Kinsale, Cobh and the Atlantic Ocean. The Landscape is beautiful, especially in western Ireland. We went at the beach sometimes (unfortunately not in the sea) even the weather wasn't that good.

That's an important thing too: Irish people speak a lot about the weather. If you want to improve your English, it will definitely help to make conversation, watch some TV and read some books of your exchange family.

All in all, it was a really great experience and I met lovely people. I'll definitely visit Ireland and my host family again!

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