

Euro : Exchange 2017/2018 to Netherland :



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This is my favorite photo : it was taken in Amsterdam on the Tuesday. I chose it because it shows the beauty of the Netherlands. We can see the houses in spelleng, these are the typical houses of the Netherlands. Futhermore houses are on the water and this is typical of Amsterdam, which is a city built on the water. So I think this picture symbolyzes the beauty of the Netherlands and of this landscape.

2)b) Before leaving France, I thought the French and Dutch people had the same lifestyle.

- the Dutch school : I think the Dutch school where we were looks like a fire station. For the class, Dutch students don't have the same hours. In general, they start school at 8.45 and finish at 13.30. They don't have the same system either, they can choose their working time and in wich class they need to go.

- life at home and every day routine : we have different routines. To start, the Dutch use their bike a lot whereas in France we take the car and we almost never use the bike. I think Dutch practice more sport a the french. Secondly we have different meals : in France we eat just a little at breakfast but we have a biglunch, we take time to eat a hot meal however in the Netherlands they eat a lot for breakfast and for the lunch they eat very quickly, it's just a snack so they eat early the evening (at 6pm).

- Dutch fashion : they have the same fashion as us.

- the music : I think they listen to the same type music as us (a lot of English music) they also listen to some Dutch songs and they know some French songs.

- the weather ; it rains a lot in the Netherlands, and I think it's colder than France

- the architecture : they have a lot of big houses and they were all built with red bricks

2)c) My favourite day :

My favourite day was Tuesday, when we went to Amsterdam. The program of the day was to go to Amsterdam by bus. To visit the city on foot, visit the museum, we had a boat tour, then, free time and to finish, eat in a restaurant for the evening. I think it was a good day because we were all together. Furthermore Amsterdam is the capital of the Netherlands so it's a beautiful and big city, it was a chance to see the capital, it's very different landscape from other cities because it's a city built on the water. We saw a lot of monuments like the house of Anne Frank and typical things of the country. Then we had a very short time to snack and we went to visit the museum. It was really interesting too, we could see very famous paintings like « la laitière » (dairywoman) . After, in spite of the rain always present and even if we lost the teacher, we finally found the boat. The boat tour was good, we didn't really listen to the audio comments but it was still great.

After the boat we had two hours of free time, I did some shopping with some people, bought some clothes and souvenirs for my family and took some pictures. At 5.30 we went to the restaurant.

I think the restaurant was simple but good, except the fruit for the entree that were strange.

We took the bus after dinner, there was a very good atmosphere in the bus with the music.

We came back very tired and soaked but it was an exceptional day.

3) the specialities : I tasted some gouda, cake with speculoos and candy. The gouda was delicious, I took one for my parents, the cake was good but at the end of the week I was a little disgusted. For the candy, it was very strange and there was some licorice so I disliked that

the sport : the sport that I remember the most was the mountain bike. It's not a very good memory, it's was really hard for me because I don't use bike in France, I think it was very very very long.

My exchange partner told me the most popular sport in the Netherlands is football. There are 2 important stadiums in the Netherlands : the PSV and the Ajax. We also saw the PSV stadium on Wednesday.

