

# KS3 Trip to Germany

Die Klassenreise nach Deutschland war fantastisch. Das Rafting war super. Das Frühstück war gut, das Brot war lecker aber das Abendessen war ok. Der Alpine Coaster war sehr schnell!

'Germany was super! We had a fun time jumping from trees, riding through waves and going on trains. I loved Germany especially the drinks and snacks although the actual food was not to my liking. The weather was not great but we still had fun. All in all it was a fantastic trip!'

'We went up to the top of the Zugspitze, the highest mountain in Germany but it was extremely foggy so we couldn't see anything. When we went down the mountain we went towards the lake Eibsee and lots of people went in the lake to join the ducks. All in all it was a fantabulously amazing trip and I can't wait to go next year because we got along very well with the Year 9s!'

'In the Youth Hostel we met German kids from another school. We made really good friends with two guys that we called ATALAY and PJ. We also got on really well with the Year 9's . . . I wasn't sure if we would! In conclusion: DIE CURRY-WURST (which Raul and me ate in Munich), die SPEZI (Coke with Fanta was so nice), die JUGENDHERBERGE und die REISE waren fantastisch!



Oh yeah TEQUILA: whenever the instructor shouted TEQUILA in the rafting, we had to lean backwards over the edge of the boat and put our heads into the water while the boat was moving!

'We arrived at the youth hostel and within minutes we went off to do some rock climbing. We did an hour of theory because it was raining. Finally, it stopped and we went to do some climbing. It was fun and I was the first one up! It was super. Overall it was a brilliant trip!'

'In Germany we did lots of activities, one of them was cycling in the rain. That was the thing I most enjoyed of the whole trip. Mr Hogan and Alberto shared a tandem. We went through a village, then along a river, but most of the time we cycled through this nature park. In the nature park James and



Kent fell in the river with their bikes and this was definitely the funniest sight of the whole trip!'



'The Alpine Coaster was a long, windy and scary rollercoaster down an Austrian mountain. Ms Heike bought all of us tickets on the first run and I went down with Kent ( he likes to brake) and because we had so much fun, I bought three people tickets but this time I went down with Christian in Year 8. When I went down with him I didn't use the brakes, it was so scary and we were screaming!'

'The Hochseilgarten is a long set of obstacle courses, high up in the trees. You have a helmet, a harness and two karabiner hooks, one of which must always be hooked on to the safety. After you have completed all the obstacles you have to zip-line down to the ground. I think that it was a very enjoyable day and I believe that everyone will agree with me when I

say that it was a great success. Thank you Ms Edwards!'

A tour guide showed us round Munich and talked about its history and culture. The tour was really interesting and we got to see many famous buildings in Germany. We also learnt about how some famous buildings and landmarks were re-built after the war and how they had changed some of the architecture of the buildings. The Viktualienmarkt (market) had all kinds of international foods on show, and opposite to the market was the, Biergarten where people drink beer and eat typical German foods and relax. Overall, the residential German trip was a great experience and I would certainly go again!'

'What one calls a trip unrivalled by all others. On our day in Munich we visited the Biergarten (Beer Garden) and the HB Haus headquarters. The teachers clearly didn't want us in there for too long, in case one of the Year 8s got a bit cheeky and decided to become a 'regular'!. The 'regulars' were men and women who had either inherited or earned their own official, exclusive beer glass at the Hofbräuhaus - giant mug more like! The point of the German trip, I suppose, is to practice the language and experience the culture behind it all. I think we achieved these goals and ultimately, I will really miss Germany (Not to say I won't try to go there in the future).

'We went up the 2962 m to the Zugspitze, an impressive glacier. We found a humungous pile of icy snow on the Austrian side of the mountain and we started having a huge snowball fight. Miss Maria José was



a victim of me throwing snowballs in her face. After that we went to the Zugspitze cafe and we all had tons of yummy cake and hot chocolate with a mountain of whipped cream plopped on top!'

'The youth hostel was really modern, the rooms were nice and big and clean. The hostel had its own table tennis tables, volleyball court, climbing wall, table football and a grass football pitch about five minutes walk away. We played Volleyball with some nice German kids and although we found communication hard at first, we did use our German and got better as the week went on. Shannon and I also did the German girls' make up for them!'

'The Eibsee is at 1000 meters above sea level and it looked amazing and inviting. When we saw it from the cable car we decided to go for a swim. Mr Hogan went into the water with us. It was great fun although I wonder whether I have ever been so cold in my entire life. Good fun though!'

'We arrived at the tree top climbing after a gruelling challenge of cycling up a seemingly endless hill. The Hochseilgarten is a large group of trees, which were connected with ropes, cables and cables and a zip-wire to help you get down at the end. We had to wear a helmet and a harness which had two karabiner hooks. Whilst it was all good fun and very safe it was, at times, rather painful for the boys!'

