

# **MY TRIP TO PARIS**

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This trip was one of those you never forget! Especially when you go with Ms Georgia and Ms Iosifina! Oh then, even if you tried, you could not forget...

Reviewing the trip, I'll start from the beginning. The first thing I was impressed by on the plane to Paris was, except for the abrupt landing, the quietness of the French people as opposed to the loudness of us, Greeks.

When we arrived at the host school, a welcome lunch was expecting us and only us, the Greek team!!! As soon as I saw the food I felt as if I had won a 'Survivor' prize – I was that hungry!!! Then we met the students of the school and later the families that would host us. Ours were wonderful people as they granted us a bunk bed, just for me and Mary! In the mornings we woke up at 6 o'clock and we ate breakfast at 6:30, left home at 7 o'clock arrived at school at 9. It was a long journey to the school – but we loved it! Changing three metro trains was a bit tiring but you do not do that in Thessaloniki and so we were happy. Also something else that impressed me positively was their food! I had expected that we would eat frog-legs and onion-soup, as these are the favourite dishes of the French.

Now, here are my impressions of the places, monuments and museums we visited: the Eiffel Tower was WONDERFUL, MAJESTIC, AWESOME, SIMPLY SUPERB!!!! The Louvre was also very nice but what I did not like was the crowds and the big groups of visitors. Montmartre was wonderful!!!!!! The shops, the products: you did not know what to choose, from clothes to souvenirs, from Chinese to Italian restaurants and from street vendors to street painters, ALL AROUND THE PLACE!!!!!!!!!! And I cannot omit mentioning Ms Nicole, a French painter who could speak Greek like a Greek, which she had learnt on her trips to Greece. She made a really fantastic portrait of me, which I have framed and I look at every day, remembering the painter.

These were my unforgettable days in Paris. I hope I will never forget this trip and get to live through new and equally unforgettable moments on future trips...