

London-Report

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Because of the end of our English course at the FHNW in Muttenz we have organized a 3-days trip to the capital of the British empire, London.

We met each other at the Euro-Airport in Basel at about 6am on Monday, 9th of January. Everything went well with the check in and the airport control, no one of us had to go to a special control. So we all made the flight and the journey could begin.

I personally did not feel good at this point, I guess I caught a cold the weekend before when I was skiing in the mountains. Because of this, the flight was not really comfortable for me. I tried to sleep the whole time on the plane.

After about 90 minutes on the plane, we arrived the Gatwick airport in London. The flight didn't feel long and we didn't have any turbulences. The check trough the border ran also without any problems and so we took the Gatwick-Express to London. Unfortunately, the underground service was on strike the whole Monday and so we had to take the bus to our hostel. So the travel from the train Station to our hostel took a little bit more time than we have planed, but this was not a big problem.

After the check-in in to the hostel we headed on to the British Museum to see some interesting exhibitions about different topics of the world. At this point, I felt much worse and my legs and arms began to hurt. So I couldn't really enjoy the visit at the museum and didn't see a lot. But the exhibition about the Egypt history was really interesting and had some impressive objects.

When we left the museum I decided to go back to the hostel, because I really didn't feel good and I had to cough really hard. So I went to my bed at the hostel at about 3pm and slept the whole time until next morning.

The alarm woke us up at 8am and I felt better at this time. So I decided to join the class on the trip to the Greenwich observatory. We took the underground train to the North of London and then we walked to the observatory.

There we got an electronic guide, which some interesting information about the observatory and the null meridian, which goes through Greenwich.

After the visit we walked to the gondola lift, which goes over the Thames and then to the Buckingham Palace and visited some tourist places.

For dinner we went to a grill restaurant where the most of us ate some ribs. It was really tasty and we had a lot of fun. Then we went to some bars to catch a few beers.

The morning after, we met at the British museum to visit the Maps exhibition. I really liked this exhibition, it had a lot of wonderful and interesting maps.

After the museum we took the train back to the airport and then the plane back to Switzerland.