

Exchange day with Slovenian students, 13th November 2019
International project: The importance of being different
Curious questions: getting to know each other

"A friend in need is a friend indeed". Do you have a similar saying in your language?

Think about one of your friends: describe his/her personality, tell me what you do together, when you met, his/her current work or studies.

How does family shape you? How conscious are you of your family's history? Is there a strong family quality you have inherited? Has your family influenced your career path? Which family member do you particularly admire? Why? How much time do you spend with family?

How much do you depend on technology in your daily life? How effected are you if you lose your phone or if your computer crashes? What is your favorite device or piece of technology? Why is it useful?

"Music is not something we need to survive". What is your personal reaction to this statement? What is your favorite song? Which emotions does it convey? Where and when do you listen to it? What kind of music is it?

If you could choose to have **one sense with superhuman ability** (sight, hearing, touch, smell, taste), which one would it be? Why?

How good is your memory? What techniques to you use to remember ideas or objects?

How happy is your society? Do Slovenian/Italian people have a good balance between work and free time? How happy are your people with the education they get, the money they have, the food they eat? Are young Slovenians/Italians engaged politically? Eco-friendly and concerned about the environment Tolerant with immigrants? Participants in cultural activities?

Feedback on "Biodiversity 2019: the Importance of being Different"
STUDENT EXCHANGE DAY "MALIGNANI- GREGORCIC-TRUBAR"

Analyze your idea of Italians/Slovenians BEFORE the meeting and your impression AFTER the meeting. Have you changed your mind? If so, how and why?

BEFORE: Most of us were curious and open to the first meeting with our Slovenian partners. A few of us were a bit skeptical and shy: we did not know what to expect from the meeting. AFTER: we were all happy and excited for the day together. How easy to make new friends!

Express your general impression of the day spent together. Why was it worth living? Any curiosity?

How interesting to be in touch with new teenagers, to exchange ideas about food, music, sport, to discover their interest in visiting our school, their love for our town. How exciting to accept their invitation to Gorizia and their school. In spite of the rainy day, we liked spending time together.

What have you discovered about each other (Italian & Slovenian partner)? Mention differences and similarities.

There are only minor differences and lots of similarities. The different language is not a problem, after all the world is charming because it is diverse. Italian and Slovenian are pretty different but luckily we could communicate in English.

In view of a future visit of the Italians to Slovenia, what would the Slovenian friends recommend to see, do and experience in their homeland?

They strongly recommend to visit their school and the historical centre of Gorizia-NovaGorica. They also provided us with popular songs of Slovenian singers and bands.

