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My experience in Spain

This summer I have been for the first time in a camp with the Lions Exchange program: the Lions Costablanca camp in Benidorm, Spain.

This experience was completely different from my trip in Greece of three years ago because there I spent two weeks in two different host families, while the camp is organized mostly with the purpose of get to know boys and girls from all over the world and create a true friendship with the hope that it will last in time.

During all the two weeks that I spent in Spain I have met wonderful people that were living this experience for the first time as me. We were almost 20 campers and especially during the second week we created an united group having a lot of fun, thanks to all the activities that were organized for us. Benidorm is actually a city full of thing to; there we in fact went in several amusement parks and also in two zoo that I really enjoyed.



Luckily we were able also to visit other two famous cities in Spain: Alicante and Valencia. In both we visited the famous central market, trying also different kind of typical Spanish food, some churches and, in Valencia, we went to the Oceanogràfic.



Benidorm is mostly a seaside town so we went a couple of times also to the beach doing different activities like kayak and beach sports.



The food wasn't my favorite part of this trip, but I also understand that in a camp with people from all over the world serve international meal, like pizza and hamburger, is the best choice. Fortunately we had the opportunity to try some typical dishes like tapas and paella.



During the evening we almost never stayed at the hotel in fact, even though we were really tired and we had to get up early in the morning, we always had the energy to go out and have fun together. We have been in pubs listening to international music, but we went also to see the beautiful night view of the city from the Mediterranean balcony.



The Costablanca camp is a wonderful experience that I recommend to everyone because it can help you to become more extrovert, getting to know new people from other countries improving your English, and it gives you also the chance to know more about an other culture.

I would like to say thank you to the camp director Alain, the President Jose Luis and especially to the two monitors Samy and Jacopo. Thanks to all of them we really enjoyed this trip.

