



#### COMENIUS PROJECT IN NORWAY –FROM 14TH TO 19TH MAY 2013 "IT'S ALL ABOUT CITIZENSHIP"

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# In Hamar, Norway with Comenius

## Tuesday, May 14<sup>th</sup>

We flew from Paris to Oslo and then took a train to Hamar, where we met our host families. My family took me to visit Hamar. My penfriend, Leah, is great. She and her mother speak French.

They cooked a typical Norwegian dinner for me.

#### Wednesday, May 15th

The alarm went on at 7:35 that morning. After a Norwegian breakfast, we walked to school. There, the Norwegian students showed us a PowerPoint presentation about the Norwegian national day, which is May 17<sup>th</sup>. It was really interesting. We then went to another school where we learnt how to prepare our "digital story". It was very challenging, as the software was in Norwegian and the explanations in English! Fortunately Héloïs who is good at computers was able to help. In the afternoon we played volley-ball and my team won! That was really funny! During the game, I felt rather small, at least compare to the Norwegians, who are all so tall! We went back home after the game.





### Thursday, May 16th

Each delegation had to finalize the digital story on citizenship that day. All the videos were then showed on a big screen. Ours was a great success and we received long runs of applause. We were very proud of our work. After the show, I went shopping with Leah and her friends.

## Friday, May 17th

That was the national Day. Wow! In the morning there was a huge parade in Hamar, with lots of inhabitants. They were wearing their traditional costumes and looked really beautiful. Children were so happy!

In the afternoon it was the "Russ" parade, with the students in their last year of High School. I just loved. It was really cool. I shall never forget that wonderful day. In the evening we were invited by my host family's friends.

### Saturday, May 18th

For our last day, we went to a beautiful lake. We first played numerous games in a forest nearby and then we went to a stone beach along the lake. There we cooked our own lunch! It was very funny! Héloïs even had to cut some wood for the fire. After lunch we went back home. Leah and I then went shopping again.

This trip was really a good European experience! I hope that I will be able to invite Leah to France! I feel lucky to be part of the COMENIUS project. The subject "Citizen" that we have explored with students of other nationalities helps me to feel really I am a young citizen of Europe.