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AN UNFORGETABLE TRIP

On 12th of October we arrived in Granadilla by bus. The journey was very long and half way through we stopped in Madrid, where we picked up some students from "UFIL Puerta Bonita". These students travelled with us on the same bus. The first impression of our travel companions was quite different from what we expected.

At last, we arrived in Granadilla at six o'clock.

It was very difficult to get to the main square because the ground was very rough and it was starting to rain.

Once there, they divided us into five different groups and we stayed in five different houses. At first, we thought that we couldn't live there, but by the end of the week we got used to living in that type of accommodation.

There was a little routine that we followed every day. In the morning we had to do different jobs, for example agriculture, gardening, bakery.... Then we had a break. Next it was workshop time: we had different activities such as drama, a radio programme, recycling.... At half past two we had lunch in the dining room. Everyday some students served the food to the rest.

Apart from our daily tasks, we had to do a school project. Our project consisted of drawing a mural of a tree. We drew and painted the tree and we wrote the title in four different languages. The title of our project was "Tree in progress", the idea being that this tree would grow with contributions from other groups which would come to Granadilla after us.

We shared this experience in Granadilla with two other high schools: IES "Nuestra Señora Del Pilar" from Tetuán and UFIL "Puerta Bonita" from Madrid.

Every night, we went to "Los Pecadores" disco and there we did a lot of activities and we danced only until 00:00 because we had to get up at 8:00 the next morning!

On the last night, we prepared a medieval wedding and all of us participated in different ways: some people were disguised as witches, other people were dancers or magicians... Before the wedding ceremony, we all had dinner in the castle of Granadilla.

In the morning of the last day, the radio played sad music, maybe as a start of what was going to happen next. We left Granadilla at ten o'clock after we had said goodbye to the students from the other schools. We cried a lot because we all live very far apart from each other and maybe we won't see each other again.

On the way back we were tired and sad. The journey back home felt like the longest six hours in our lives!