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The Liverpool Trip

Day One:

Arrival at our hotel – The Liner

Visit of Albert Dock

Visit of Tate Liverpool

Day Two:

Magical Mystery Tour

The Beatles Museum

Free Time

Day Three:

The Museum of Slavery & The Maritime Museum

Talk at Liverpool University & Guided Tour

Football: Liverpool FC – AS Roma

Day Four:

Manchester: guided tour

The Museum of Science, John Rylands Library; the Royal Exchange

Theatre: Lennon's Banjo

Day Five:

Return to Luxembourg

Impressions:

Visiting the harbor-city of **Liverpool** was a fun and interesting experience. The city has evolved a lot in the last 20 to 30 years and this has created a nice mixture between old and new, which makes Liverpool a modern urban-style city. The city is famous for its football clubs and for being the hometown of the Beatles. It was also the main hub for European slave trade for almost 400 years. This rich but also dark history can be discovered through various museums which makes Liverpool culturally stimulating as well.

Alex Hüber (2A)

My **first impression of Liverpool** was very positive. I really liked the architecture, the mix between old, vintage and new modern constructions is extraordinary. Normally vintage and modern buildings do not form a good picture together, but in Liverpool these two forms of buildings form a harmonious picture. We visited a lot of galleries and museums and I learned a lot of different new things. Julie Marmann (3A)

The only thing I did not enjoy was the **rainy** weather, but I guess that it is part of the experience of visiting England. Nurchis Naomi (3A)

I was not expecting too much of Liverpool for I thought that it is a dirty and poor city like most English industrial cities. But I changed my mind quite soon. It is a **nice harbour city**, the people are, like most Brits, very friendly and helpful. The weather was not nice, though. Charel Winandy (3A)

Even though it's not my type of city, I can say that I gained a lot of **experience** from the trip to Liverpool. Eva Ecker (3A)

It was my first time in England and the whole trip was pretty exciting for me. At first, I was somehow disappointed by the unspectacular looks of the Liverpool, but after visiting the **Albert Dock** and realising how monumental the city centre in fact is, I really started to enjoy the walks through the city. Noël Fautsch (3A)

The city is a mixture of old red brick houses and modern glass buildings. Their traffic lights are different and the cars drive on the left side. Everywhere in the city are **seagulls** which make strange noises that sound like somebody's laughing. The people in Liverpool are generally very friendly. Elsa Hengel (3A)

When one enters the city, the old buildings form a perfect sphere with the new constructions. The illumination of the **Three Graces** creates with its neo-baroque style a nearly mystical atmosphere. I felt like travelling back in time and my heart was nearly jumping out of my chest. The residents of Liverpool are sporty and friendly even if it is sometimes difficult to follow their discussions. Céline Millim (2A)

I found that the people in Liverpool were all extremely friendly and open-minded. Whenever we needed help or simply wanted to ask a question about the city, they were pleased to help us. Their **scouse** accent was a bit difficult to understand at the beginning but after the first day we got used to it and started to understand the people more easily. Isabelle Gillen (2A)

I found that the **Beatles Museum** was the most interesting activity we did in the context of the band. The interior of the museum was adapted to the Beatles theme, there were not only pictures but whole exhibitions featuring sound and video elements. Consequently the rooms and the atmosphere inspired the visitor's imagination so that it was easier to picture the world the Beatles lived in. Elda Hodzic (2A)

The most interesting part for me was the Beatles Museum; I learned plenty of new things about the band. Furthermore, I think that the whole museum is extremely well-done and catchy for the visitor. An audio guide explains each section as you make your way through the museum. I can definitely recommend this place to all the **music lovers** out there. Cheyenne Bof (3A)

Visiting the famous **Cavern Club** and getting to see what this place and its atmosphere must have been like nearly six decades ago when the Beatles played there was also a highlight of our trip. Bof Cheyenne (3A)

If you dislike the Beatles then do not go to Liverpool. The whole city is covered in the faces of the four members. Every single street has statues or a gift shop dedicated to the Beatles. You can even see that the population is sick of seeing them all the time. Although if you like **the Fab4** I can only recommend Liverpool to you. Mathieu Mouschang (2A)

We took part in the Magical Mystery tour which took us around the city and showed us places like the famous **Strawberry Fields**, John Lennon's house and places related to the song named 'Penny Lane. Although I was not a Beatles fan before, I have to say, I found a bit of an interest in them. Hannah Kemp (3A)

The activities I liked most were the **magical** mystery tour, the Beatles Museum and the play John Lennon's banjo. I was fascinated by all the different facts I was able to learn about the Beatles. Katelyn Hoffmann (2A)

What I enjoyed the most was the play about the Beatles we went to see. It was called **Lennon's Banjo** by Rob Fennah. The simple story of the play was staged in a funny, entertaining and exciting way. The actors played simple and loveable characters and it was easy to indulge oneself with this piece. Lena Philippe (2A)

I enjoyed the play, because it is pretty **cool** to be able to say that I saw Pete Best on stage in Liverpool. Nurchis Naomi (3A)

The Museum of Slavery was very emotional not only because of the topic but also due to the the personal stories of surviving slaves, the interviews with descendants of slaves or the videos showing the conditions in which the slaves had to live. What was very interesting was the fact that they made the connection with what happened then and the racism we notice today. Inès Koerfer (3A)

The Museum of Slavery gives an excellent amount of information about the history and the details of the **slave trade** all over the world by using videos, music, textual information and objects, which makes the exhibition extremely interesting. I think that as a visitor of this museum, you remember and learn a lot. Zieser Tara (3A)

I liked the Museum of Slavery because it was **informative** without being boring. The alternation between pictures, text and videos, especially those of people concerned by slavery, made the exhibition **vivid** and interesting. Hopp Mylena (2A)

The Museum of Slavery, was in my opinion, the most **moving** experience which we had during our trip. The interviews, the videos and the testimonies

showed us the cruelty of mankind. It stimulates reflection and left us under shock. An enriching museum!
Gras Louise (2A)

Since **Liverpool FC** has always been one of my favourite football clubs it was quite surreal to stay in the city while they were playing their most important game in years against Roma. I was lucky to visit the two stadiums in our free time. (Besides Anfield there's a second stadium called Goodison Park). While staying in the city I also realised how important football actually is for the population. It is a more of a cultural gathering than a simple sports event.
Noel Fautsch (3A)

I may not be the biggest fan of their football club Liverpool FC, but I admire their **pride** and their enthusiasm for their club. Eva Ecker (3A)

Football is an important sport to the **Liverpudlians** because it is a sport that even workers can afford. Everybody in Liverpool likes football and we saw a lot of supporters of the Liverpool FC or the Everton FC. When we were there, the city was in a football fever because Liverpool FC managed to reach the UEFA Champions League final. Jo Belche (3A)

Suprisingly **Manchester** and Liverpool somehow look different. My personal highlight in Manchester was the visit of the John Rylands Library where we were able to have a look at the oldest original piece of the New Testament that exists. Noel Fautsch (3A)

We visited Manchester on the last day of our trip. A local guide welcomed us first to the **Museum of Science**. From there, we walked through Manchester and visited several monuments and buildings. We visited the **John Rylands Library**. It is an old library from the 19th century and it is still used today as part of a normal library and a museum. I liked Manchester and the guide was very kind and sweet. She taught us interesting facts about the city. And, for a change, we had good weather, which made the trip to Manchester even better! Claire Winbomont (2A)

On our last day we were able to experience Manchester. It is a great touristic destination that has great monuments which are worth seeing. Manchester was called "**COTTONPOLIS**" in the 19th century and it was the metropolis and the center of the cotton industry. The fact that definitely has to be mentioned is that our tour guide was very friendly and well-informed. I was sad that we only had a few hours to visit Manchester, but this might be a reason to go and visit that city again. Merjem Mehanovic (2A)

In my opinion, the trip to Liverpool was a great opportunity for the students to **grow together** and to get to know each other better. There was a good atmosphere and everyone enjoyed being part of that. Noémie Ceccon (2A)