

# WE ARE EUROPEANS CHALLENGE

FRANCE AND LITHUANIA OFFER YOU :

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## Articles

In France and Lithuania, we have made articles to speak about the similarities and the differences in these two countries. Thanks to it, we discover a lot of things about the life and the activities in France and Lithuania.

## Videos

We did videos to present a speciality of our country about our theme. Each chose what they wanted to talk about. The links of these videos are in the articles. It's easy to see them.



*If you are curious, look at me...*  
NOW, OPEN ME ! I WILL TEACH YOU  
A LOT OF THINGS ABOUT FRANCE  
AND LITHUANIA. SO COME ON  
DON'T BE SHY.



Caroline Ricard

## We Are Europeans - France

Hello! I'm Caroline Ricard and I teach English in the South-Est of France. This project was born in June 2017 when discussing with my Social Science colleague. We were looking for a way to have our sophomores reflect on the common points and cultural differences of European countries and to reinforce their sense of belonging to the European community. I then posted the idea on the eTwinning forum, and I was so glad when I received answers from all over Europe! At first, we were looking for 3 partners, but we decided to open the project to more classes, and this is how we ended up with 16 groups!

Andzela joined us this summer, and we were very happy to have partners from Lithuania because we didn't know much about this country before the project, and discovered how beautiful it is and how warmhearted Lithuanian people are!

Our students did their best to communicate and found it really interesting to use English for a real purpose. This magazine is the result of two months of hard work, in collaboration with their Lithuanian partners: they chose the topics they wanted to study and discussed to find common points in both countries (which they exposed in the articles). Then they created short videos to present some particularities of their own country. Enjoy!

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Andžela Grikietienė

## We Are Europeans - Lithuania

I am Andžela Grikietienė, an English teacher at Vilkaviskis "Ausra" gymnasium in the south-west of Lithuania. I teach English to students between the ages of 16 and 19 years. I am happy that me and my students took the opportunity to be involved in the project "European Challenge" coordinated by Mrs Caroline Ricard. By being part of the project, we made ourselves better acquainted with France and its wonderful people. Let alone the fact that we used many new applications to complete our tasks, this way becoming more technologically savvy.

And here are some impressions of my students:

"... I had the opportunity to chat with people from France and it was wonderful experience!" (Emilija)

"..... the chance to take part in an eTwinning project quickly boosted my confidence and communication at a foreign language level. Since we (the participants of this project) were asked to compare and to find some differences and similarities from both countries, not only I expanded my knowledge about culture, but also, had an amazing experience talking with my newly made friends from France." (Meda)

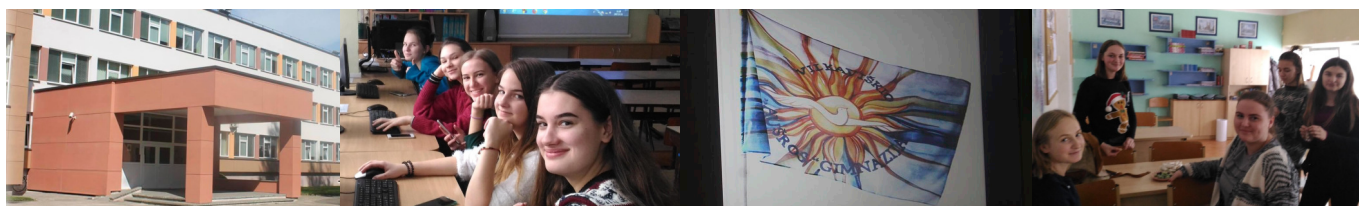
"...I think this project is very helpful for everyone. I like this project because I learnt more about another country. Also I met new people who are very friendly!" (Gabija)

Vilkaviskis "Ausra"

Gymnasium

Lithuania

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# Common points between lithuanian music and french music

France and Lithuania are very différent, but the music is universal. The instruments are similar and a lot of famous artists in France are famous in Lithuania. Music delivers the same feeling and sensation in all countries.

The common point between Lithuania and France is that they listen, like France, French touch music and pop. Ed Sheeran, Rihanna, Katy Perry are famous artists in france and in Lithuania, Their musics are very famous in all the world. And like in France the national anthem in Lithuania was used in a revolutionary surroundings in 1980 for the independence of Lithuania.

Finally France contributed to develop a lot of music styles like rock, classic and french touch. The french touch is the french musical style wich is very famous in the world because David Guetta is the inventor of french touch with Daft Punk and they are the most famous french artists in the world.

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rance invented some instruments which are used in Lithuania like the cithare the ancestor of guitar and the hurdy-gurdy the ancestor of the violin. But the most famous creator of the guitar is: Antanas Kazimieras Žemaitis, a lithuanian. He created the guitar to Paul McCartney, the Rollings Stone, Jimi Hendrix. The most famous musical style in France is the rock . The most important instruments in rock are drums and guitar. Rock was born in 1950 in United States and the most famous french rock stars are Johnny Hallyday, Eddy Mitchell and Michel Sardou. There are very famous rock songs in France like "Argent trop cher" by Téléphone or "Morgane de toi" by Renaud. And Violin is used in classic music witch was so famous in France. Jean-Baptiste Lully is French compositor of classic music.



Johnny hallyday, a french rock star wich is singing

Now you can see this video of French touch music we created with my friend ! Good viewing!





France and Lithuania are very different if we are looking from musical style. We did searches and found out that in France country music is not very popular, but it is in Lithuania. In Lithuania there's lots of popular musical styles. Most of Lithuanians listen to pop music, country music and techno music. Classical music isn't really popular in our country, because young people don't like it. They prefer pop, techno or country music, like : "KasMes - Garsas Naktyje ( Papuga Remix )" , "Giriu dvasios - Ezeruos" or "Jureiviai - Turiu laiveli maza". Also we are looking forward listening to France music. We hope that you enjoy Lithuanian music.

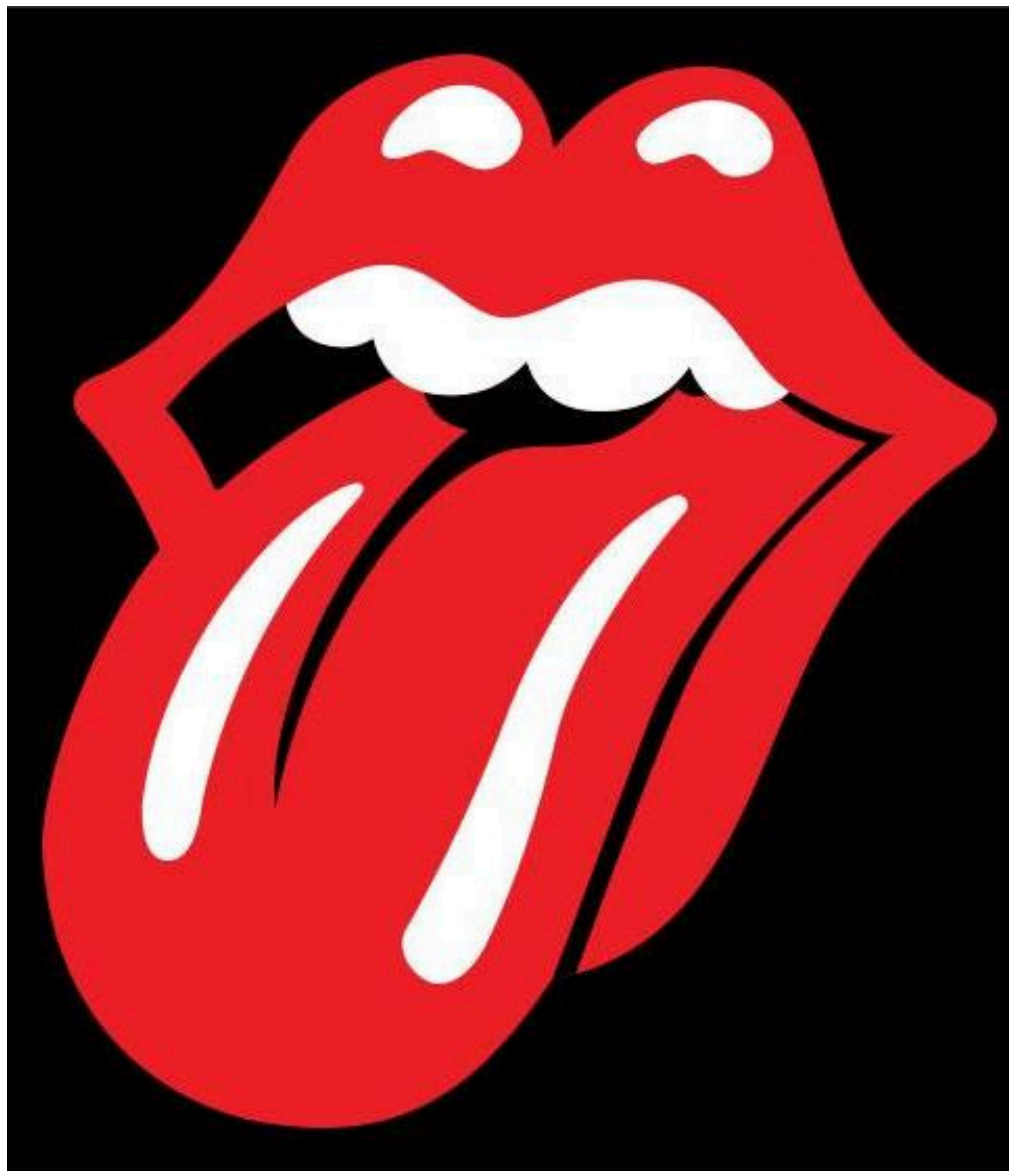
## Music similarities and differences between France and Lithuania

**The instruments are similar when it comes to Lithuania and France. In France like in Lithuania s these instruments are mostly used : guitar, violin and drums. By the way, a Lithuanian Antanas Kazimieras Žemaitis created a guitar for Paul McCartney, the Rollings Stone and Jimi Hendrix.**



### Interesting facts about music

The longest concert started in 2001 in Germany and it's going to end in 2640.  
Flowers grow up faster when they are listening to music.  
Cows give more milk when they are listening to music.



## Singers , groups and bands !

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When we were chatting, we found out similar interests in music, bands. We both (4 of us) decided, that 90`s bands are very popular, we love to listen to music of these bands, like Queen, The Rolling Stones, Nirvana. It seems that our taste in music is very good (joking). In Lithuania, Zaz and Edith Piaf (two French singers) aren't very famous but our Lithuanian partner knows them, because Zaz is listened to on the radio and Edith Piaf (1915-1963) was known, thanks to a movie "of her song, called "la vie en rose".

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[click here to watch our video on French rapper:](#)



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**SOLO SINGERS/ INDIVIDUAL SINGERS** As we mentioned, Lithuanian people know about French music, they do know some of those old or nowadays days singers, because some of them are legends. Unfortunately, Lithuanian singers aren't well known in other countries, no exception- France. However, our group of students were discussing about singers who are globally popular. French people love to hear singers such as Beyonce, Jay-z, Drake, Selena Gomez, Justin Bieber, Lady Gaga, Ariana Grande and so on. Comparing to Lithuanian people's taste, that's pretty similar. In Lithuania, sadly, those popular singers, that we mentioned before, do not really come to perform. But of course, you can be not very known, but still a popular singer, like Tom Odell, Daddy Yankee, Rag' N Bone Man...

*French singers known in Lithuania : A lot of Lithuanians know Zaz. Zaz music ( sometimes ) is in the radio; Edith Piaf was known for her music in the movies. Edith's Piaf best known song is called " la vie en rose". Edith Piaf and Zaz, other singers. Lithuanian and French listen/know to foreign bands, groups: - rolling Stones - Queen.*

## SINGERS

In Lithuania and France, there is a lot of different singers. They are divided into groups and individual singers. In this project, we gonna compare Lithuanian and French performers and bands.

# TRAVELS and TOURISM



We've made a project with Lithuanians which is find common points about the tourism, and we've found that French and Lithuanians both travel more to the South than the North. That's a fact, we all like, for the holidays, go to the South to be near the water in sandy beaches and enjoy the warm weather. For example, in France, the most loved destination is Spain. The French' winter can be really cold, as harsh as in Lithuania, so, when the holidays are coming, we both like go to the South countries enjoy the warm weather. But, the Lithuanian's summer also can be as hot as the French' summer so people also like go to the sea, the ocean, enjoy the fresh water. But, another fact make we both go to the South for the Holidays : the prices for the holidays are less expensive than the holidays in the North.

For example, 1 week in a 4 stars hostel in Spain cost between 450€ and 550€ whereas in Norvege, it cost around 1200-1300€. So, we can conclude that our both countries like to go to the South for the weather, the sea, the ocean, and for the prices. We've also made a video about a difference in the Lithuanian's and French' tourism.

[Click here!!](#)

*The 2 photos on the left are photos of Lithuania, and the 2 on the right are photos of France.*

*The 2 photos on the left are photos of Vilnius.*

*The photo at the bottom on the right is a photo of Paris and the one at the top on the right is a photo of Nice.*

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### The tourism

The tourism represents a big part of the economy of our both countries. The tourism represented 3% of the Lithuanian's economy in 2008 and the tourism represents 8% of the French' economy.



## Vilnius Christmas tree in 2017

In 2017 Lithuania's capital Vilnius Christmas tree was announced the most beautiful tree in Europe. This nature and fairy lights combination brought a lot of tourists to the city. Needless to say, visitors were amazed and said that they will definitely come back to Lithuania someday.



Vilnius Christmas tree 2017

## Paris museum Louvre

The people of Paris can be really proud of their city, more especially of the museum Louvre. The Louvre is the biggest museum in the world. It is so big that it is humely impossible to see all the museum has to offer in one visit. In 2016 alone, 7.4 million people visited this museum. Some really big numbers for a big museum.



The Louvre

# TRAVEL AND TOURISM IN FRANCE AND LITHUANIA



France and Lithuania's collaboration

While we were working on this topic we've found some differences and similarities about travel and tourism between France and Lithuania.

So, the first common thing is that both countries usually travel more to the south than the north on their holidays. People like sunny weather, the relaxing sounds of the waves, getting sun tanned on sandy beaches.

Second common thing we've found that Lithunians and French like traveling to Germany. We believe people go there because there's a lot of things to do. Maybe people want to take part in beer festival or to get to know history better by visiting some old castles.

The last common thing is that both countries citizens travel with their friends, family or with the other half. To both countries this type of traveling is the most fun and exciting.

On the other hand, it was way harder to find differences between two countries travels and tourism. We couldn't find a lot of them so here's just a few differences.

The first difference we've found is that Lithuanians like rural tourism a whole lot more than French. That is because our citizens really like to admire the beauty of nature and animals. They like the silence while French people like to go out with their friends in the evenings to small cafes.

Another thing is that a lot of people from all the world visit France more than Lithuania. Actually, France is the most visited country in the world with 82 million visitors every year but Lithuania should't be sad because our country is usually ranked quite high in the 'must-visit' listings.

### Some interesting facts:

France is by far the most popular tourist destination in the world, with some 82 million visitors annually.

Lithuania's one of the most visited places is The Hill of Crosses. The exact number of crosses is unknown, but estimates put it at about 100,000.

In Paris there are in total 1,803 monuments and 173 museums.

Probably the most beautiful places in Lithuania is Curonian Lagoon.



In France the most famous sport is football with 2 000 000 club members. France have a lot of good football teams. For exemple the PSG - Paris Saint Germain or Olympique de Marseille OM : the single club in France who win the Champions league. And it has famous football players like Antoine Griezmann, Paul Pogba, and received Neymar Jr this summer. The national team has a lot of trophies like the World Cup and is accepted by other countries like a good country.

In Lithuania football is famous too, but Lithuania don't have a lot of great football teams now. One of the famous Lithuania football teams is Vilnius "Žalgiris", Marijampolė "Sūduva". In the past Lithuania had great teams and players, it's sad that now Lithuania aren't very good at this sport.

*The golden ball trophy is a reward for the best football player of the year. He was created on 1956 by the magazine "France Football". This year it's Cristiano Ronaldo the winner of the golden ball trophy.*

## INFORMATIONS

The photography in the top left hand corner it's the Lithuania football team whereas in the top right hand corner it's the French team. in the bottom right hand corner it's OM team and in the bottom left corner it's PSG team.

[CLICK HERE](#) to see our video about sport

# Sport in France and Lithuania

Lithuanian most famous basketball team is Kaunas "Žalgiris", they won the Euroleague in 1999 and this trophy is most important to this team. Lithuania has a lot of great young talents, and this sport will never die in Lithuania !



*Légende Nemo enim ipsam vo*

## Basketball

In France like in Lithuania, there are great basketball teams. In France basketball is very popular.



*Tony Parker*



The French Team represent France for the international competitions.

There are 595 000 club members in France : it's the fifth sport the most played. The name of the French team's coach is Vincent Collet, he 's French.

French National basketball team has reached a lot of trophies and is accepted by other countries.

In Lithuania basketball is the most famous sport. Lithuania is very into basketball, they have some players who are playing in the NBA.

In Lithuania basketball is very important part of Lithuanian people's life.

There are many French famous players in the NBA like Tony Parker. He was born on the 17 of May in 1982. Tony Parker is considered to be the best basketballer in France.

For the "We Are European Challenge"

## Hobbies French

The favorite hobbies of French people are watch TV or internet, hanging out with their friends, doing cultural hobbies ( like go to theater ), doing sport etc..

Some people like doing some activities with their family like biking or go to the restaurant , or playing board games ( board games are very famous in France )

The boys most likes sports and girls prefer shopping. But one of the favorite french hobbie ( if it's not THE favorite ) is grumbling against every daily little thing ! There is a lot of exemple about that : when it's raining, the traffic jam , when we are sick , but I will not say everything

For the teenagers, we like listening to music ( any style included ); watching television, phone or internet. Also we like seeing a lots of series like Game of Throne or The Walking Dead on the different Platform like Netflix or Internet on streaming.

We like hanging out with our friends to shopping, playing differents sports (basketball, football,...), playing videos games on computers or playstation.



"THERE ARE A  
LOTS OF  
ACTIVITIES"

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# What do Lithuanians do for fun?

This article is dedicated to the hobbies we have in common in this group.

In Lithuania, the most popular hobbies are similar to the ones in other countries. Of course we like being outside, listening to music and etc. But one of the most interesting hobbies that we like to do is camping (scouting). There are quite a lot of scouts where we live, and scouting is a popular activity. A lot of students are scouts. It's well known that when you say the word "scouts" the first thing that comes into a lot of people's minds are the girl scouts that go from house to house selling cookies, but we don't do that, we're not like that at all. We are the kind of scouts that go to camps, go hiking, live in tents for weeks, make our food on the fire and enjoy the wild life.

As well as scouting, Lithuanians have other hobbies, which are similar to the ones in other countries. A lot of teenagers like acting, dancing, playing basketball, playing computer games, exercising, fishing and just hanging out with their friends. But the most popular hobbies are playing basketball and hanging out with friends. Teens see others play basketball from a young age so it's normal for youngsters to like it.



*Teenagers from Vilkaviškis-Lithuania scouting/ camping.*

By playing basketball we're exercising and at the same time hanging out with our friends. But we hang out in other ways too. Like camping, playing other games or just by walking around town. Lithuanians treasure the time they spend with their friends, that's why they go out so much.



*Lithuanian scouts gathered around a bonfire*



## Fun facts

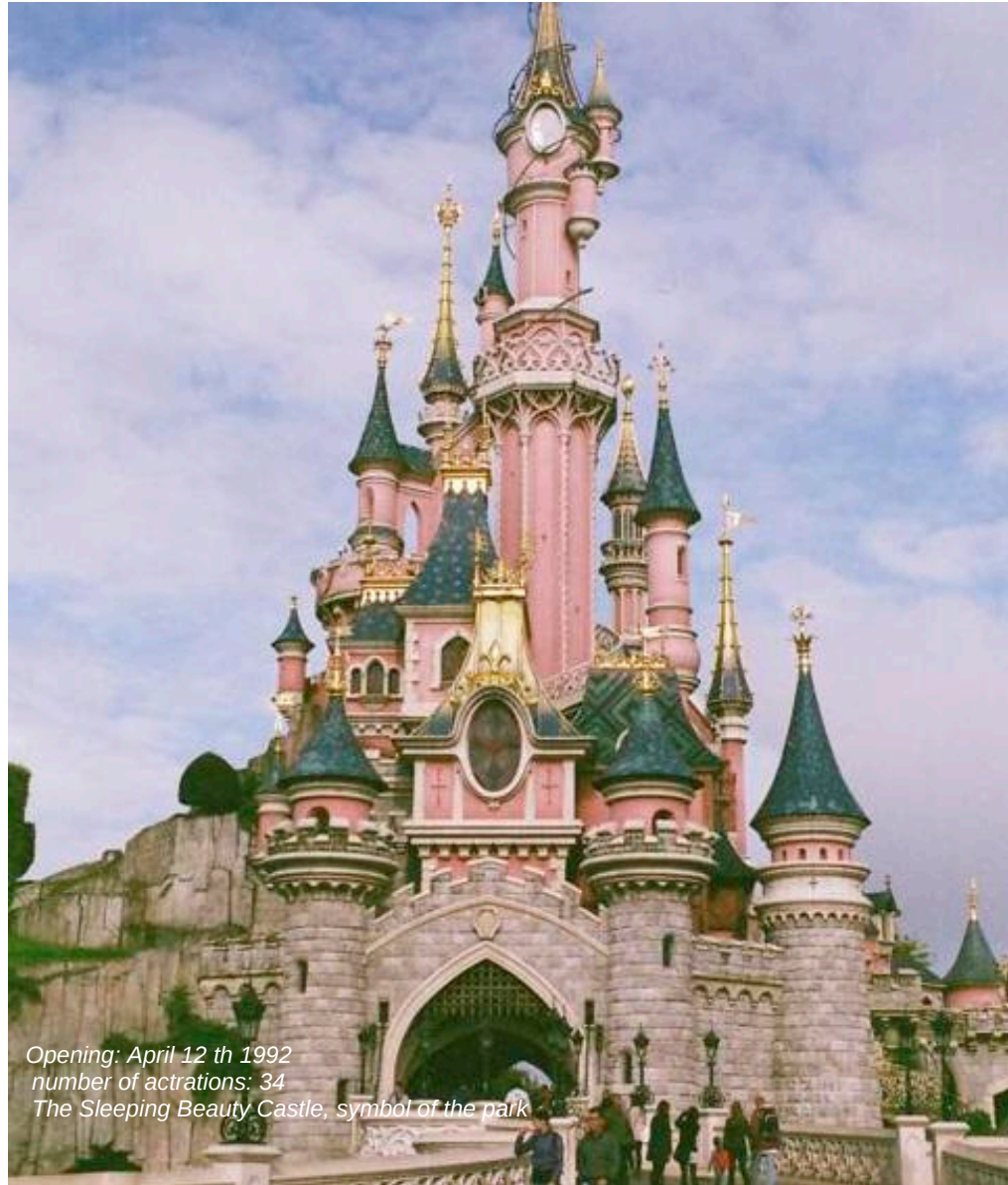
1. Playing video games can help cure people overcome dyslexia
2. 11 out of 12 astronauts were scouts.
3. Exercising boosted peoples performance on memory and problem- solving tests by 20%.
4. Yoga can lower your risk of depression.
5. Painting and drawing can improve your problem- solving abilities and boost your memory.

### Common points between france and lituania

# HAVING FUN

I want to talk about the topic : "having fun". We talked to two lituanien boys . They told us how they are having fun or what they do in free time . We also told them how we are spending our free time

They told that they are go outside with friends,play computer games,watch tv series or movies. In Lithuania we do the same things,but we also go to the gym and to the trips . Lets talk about active activities . We are go outside with friends. Outside we are walk in the streets,talk betwen us about almost everything. We also play basketball , footbal, voleyball at the summer or spring. In France we go to the cinema (we love it) we watch lot of movies. Soon there are THE LAST JEDI he will go out in France(décember 13th 2017)we impatiently wait . Also we are go to the restaurant with our friends,our family In France we also practice many sport as for ex Volley ball ,climbing,football,rudby,basketball,ping pong ... .We are go outside with our friends and watch series like lithuanian. In both countries we spend a lot of time play computer games , play phone,look social network( snapchat ,instagram, facebook,twiter )or play PS4 ,call ours friends In winter 22% the french go skiing and 35% the french go the amusement park in france there is more amusement pack as disneyland Paris, futuroscope,le puits du fou and Asterix parck. Finally a lot of french go to the concert listen their favorite singer. The most french go concert with friends



Opening: April 12 th 1992  
number of acetrations: 34  
The Sleeping Beauty Castle, symbol of the park

Castel  
of  
Disneyland  
Paris

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How French have Fun

Now lets talk about passive activities. One of the passive activities is playing computer. On computer we play : League of legend (LOL) counter strike global offensive or 1.6, GTA SAN ANDREAS: MULTIPLAYE R (SA:MP), minecraft , world of warcraft, lineage II, runescape, zynga poker and watching films or serials. French girls and boys do the same things. The most popular game is League of legen global offensive. The less popular game is counter strike 1.6 or SA:MP.



..how we are having fun or what we do in free time . ...

.... how we are spending our free time .....

## Having fun in Lithuania and France

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French students said that they go outside with friends, play computer games, watch tv series or movies. In Lithuania we do the same things, but we also go to the gym and on trips . Lets talk about active activities . We go outside with friends. Outside we walk in the streets, talking and just hanging out with friends. In France young people go to the cinema (they love it) . They watch a lot of movies. For example, THE LAST JEDI (décember 13th 2017). Also they go to the restaurants with their friends or family. In France they also practise many sports as for ex volleyball, climbing, football rugby, basketball, ping pong ...

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# The French Fast Food

In France and Lithuania we both have the same fast food restaurants. There is Macdonald, Burger King, KFC and even tacos or kebab.

But in France there is Quick which is a French fast food brand but this one will disappear because Burger King repurchased all the Quick restaurants of France. We like Burger King because you can make your own hamburger like add steaks, cheese, onion for us it's the best fast food EVER

I never eat tacos because it looks disgusting too much meat, cheese and sauce. We go to fast food not very often like two times a month. Before Burger King came to our region we ate Macdo but once we have try Burger King we see the difference between those foods qualities.



So we guess that Lithuania's fast food aren't very different from the ones of France. We both eat the same even if there are some that aren't in Lithuania



*Here is an exemple of a typical Burger King restaurant.*



## The Video

Here is a video of the recipe of the steak tartare  
**Click here :**



# FOOD IN LITHUANIA and FRANCE

Dishes in Lithuania are mainly made out of vegetables, meat, and dairy products, which can all be grown in Lithuania's cold climate. Lithuanian food is certainly something worth trying.

## Breakfast

As we all know breakfast is the most important meal of the day. Mostly, all people start their day with a glass of fresh orange juice, toast with jam, but in Lithuania, people like to keep it simple. First of all, people start their day with a glass of water. For breakfast they usually have cereal, sandwiches, omelet, cooked eggs or boiled eggs. For a drink people usually have a cup of hot coffee, tea or a glass of fresh juice.

## Dinner

Dinner - is a second meal, that is eaten in the middle of the day. In Lithuania, dinner is consisted out of a soup and the main dish. For the soup people usually have, cold beet soup, creamy mushroom soup or hot vegetable soup, and when it comes to the main dish this is where the fun and adventure begins. The main dish is usually made out of potatoes. One of the most popular dishes would be „Cepelinai“. It is a traditional lithuanian dish, made from mashed potatoes filled with meat inside. Also there other meals made out of potatoes like „Plokštainis“, "Vėdarai" or „Bulviniai blynai“. Although, potatoes are mostly grown and eaten in Lithuania, meat is also very popular. For dinner people like to have dishes like, roasted beef with mashed potaoes, cooked sausages or cutlets. The meat dishes are usually served with vegetables as cucumbers, carrots, tomatoes and broccoli.



## Lunch

The last meal of the day is lunch. In Lithuania for lunch people usually like to have a simple and tasty dish. It is usually a salad, roasted chicken with mashed potatoes. And for a special day- a fancier dish, that could be made out of seafood or pasta, for the dessert it could be a piece of cake, ice cream or fruits. For these special occasions a fancier drink must be too. So, the drink could be a glass of a champagne or red, white wine.

If you would like to find out more about Lithuanian food, here you can watch a video:



## Healthy or not?

### Eating habits in France and Lithuania

Lithuanian and French people like to grow most of the ingredients in their gardens. They usually grow vegetables such as cucumbers, tomatoes, carrots, onions and many others, also fruits such as apples, pears, strawberries and many others. In Lithuania there are people that still live in some small villages, where they are able to grow animals and use their meat for food too. Because of that they prefer eating homemade food, because this food doesn't have additives that are dangerous for our health.

## Vegetarian and vegan restaurant

We have found a common thing in both Lithuania in France that there a many people that can't or just don't want to eat meat. So because of this, in both countries there are many restaurant that serve just vegetarian or vegan food. The examples would be the restaurant in Lithuania called „Balti Drambliai“ and a restaurant in France „Loving Hut – Menton“.

These restaurants are on of the best, they offer their guests varieties of dishes, made from ingredients like tofu, beans, grains, seaweed, dried fruits and many different vegetables. So in Lithuania and France there many different restaurant that are for people who don't eat meat.

# Video Games In France

Video Games are a real passion around the world, especially in France and in Lithuania, so let's check out what are video games in these countries!

**In our exchange , we realized we play more or less the same games! For example, Lithuanians play League of Legends, Minecraft or Counter Strike: Global Offensive. In France, video games is one of the most popular activity in spare time. In fact, 50% of the population usually plays video games. That 's a real buisness in our country for all publishers and builders of console. There are 10 companies which offer their consoles and their games in France. The parity between boys and girls is real because 47% of players in France are girls. They prefer story games with a good scenario but also reflexion games. Boys don't have the same opinion as girls. Indeed, boys prefer to play FPS games (first person shoot) and horrific games too.**



*Professional stage of esports in France*

There are many events in France about video games. For example, recently the Paris Games Week took place in the end of the month of October. This roundup was the opportunity for builders and publishers to present their new games and console, like Microsoft with the Xbox One X. But these events with charitable aim, with the Z EVENT, organized by Zerator, a famous streamer in France. With others streamers , he collected many money for the victims of Irma hurricane, which reached the SAINT Barthélemy isle. They collected 300 000 €. So, video games are a passion, who assemble a lot of people and form a large community of passioned people.



*Paris Games Week is a very important event for all the gamers in France. It permits to play new games or to be present at some conventions.*



## Esport in France:

If you want to know more about esports in France, go check out our video here on



Lithuania



Flags



France

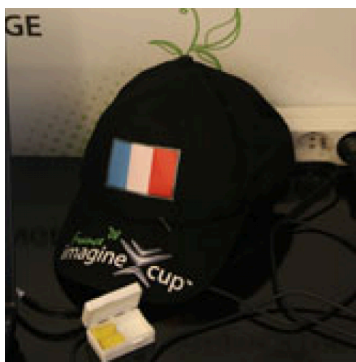
# Lithuania and France

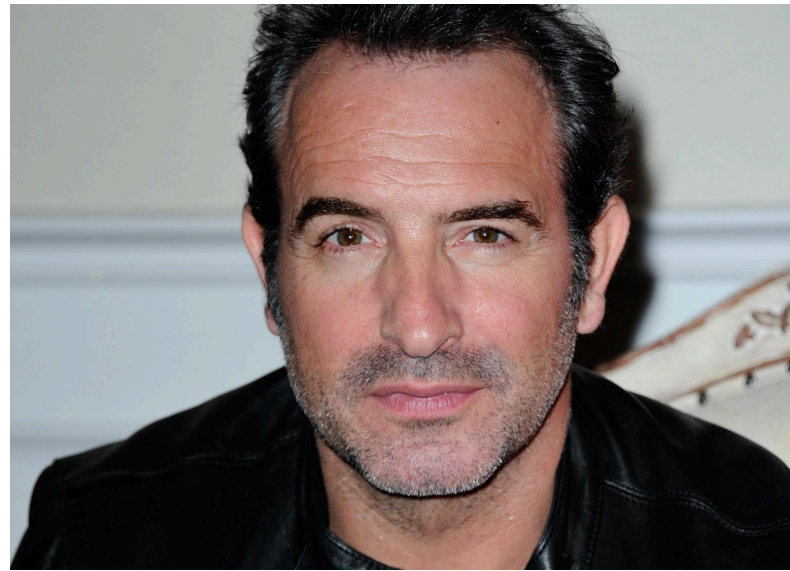
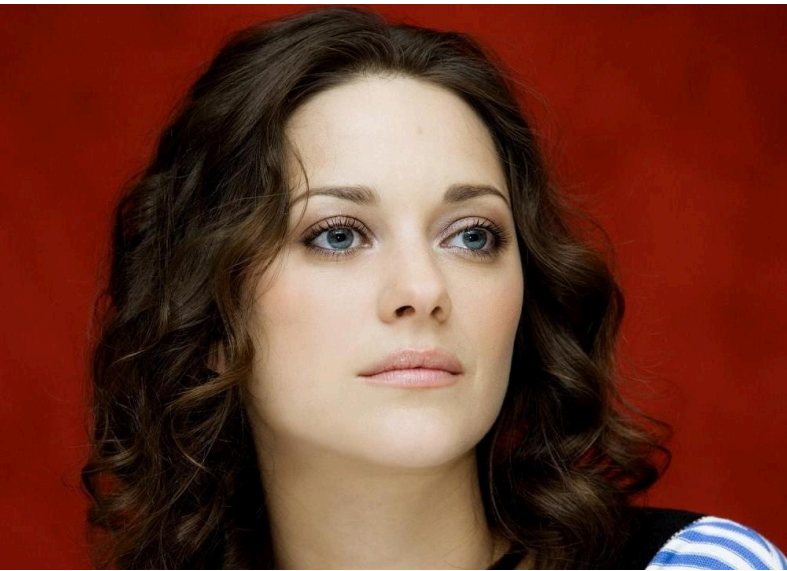


## Video games

We found out that people from Lithuania and France play almost the same games. Like CSGO, Minecraft or LOL.

The most popular game is CSGO, more often boys play this game because it's about war.





In France and in Lithuania, we both have famous actors who play in American movies. The American cinema is the most prolific in the world. In France, some actors play in famous American movies like Marion Cotillard. She was famous in America when she played in *La môme*. This movie opened her the access at Hollywood. She began a Hollywood career in 2009 with the film *Public Enemies*, where she played with Johnny Depp . The film is a success and generated 100 million dollars. In 2010, she received her second nomination for the Golden Globe for Best Actress in a Musical or Comedy for the movie *Nine* . Then, she is designated to be the president of the 35 th ceremony of Césars presented by Gad Elmaleh and Valérie Lemerrier. Summer 2011 is for her busy: only a few months after the birth of her son, she alternates the filming of *The Dark Knight Rises* , where Christopher Nolan reserved a role for her. The new and latest Nolan *Batmanopus* is unveiled in July 2012 and is his biggest commercial success. In 2011, Jean Dujardin played

in *The Artist*, a low-budget silent movie, it's a tribute to Hollywood cinema. The movie in black and white is a massive success abroad. He starts an international career. He won the prize for male interpretation at the Cannes Festival in 2011, and the following year the Bafta and the Oscar for Best Actor and the Golden Globe for Best Actor. Thanks to his new international succes, he turns movies in other contries but he continues his career in France. He plays in *The Wolf of Wall Street* (2013) or *Monuments Men* (2014).

Marion Cotillard is more famous than Jean Dujardin but they are the same love for the America. Jean Dujardin is as talented as Marion Cotillard.

While in Lithuania, the actors aren't true Lithuanians but they have Lithuanian blood. One of them is Jason Sudeikis. He shot to fame on *Saturday Night Live*. Sudeikis is Lithuanian and also has German and Irish ancestry. He turned in *Masterminds* and *Colossal* (2016), and *Sleeping with Other People* (2015). He has several movies scheduled to be released in 2017.

Another actor who has Lithuanian blood is John. C. Reilly. He is well known for his roles in *What's Eating Gilbert Grape* (1993), *The Hours* (2002), *Chicago* (2002), and more. He also impressed audiences with his performance in *The Grapes of Wrath* and *Othello* on Broadway.

### Conclusion: France and lithuanian actors

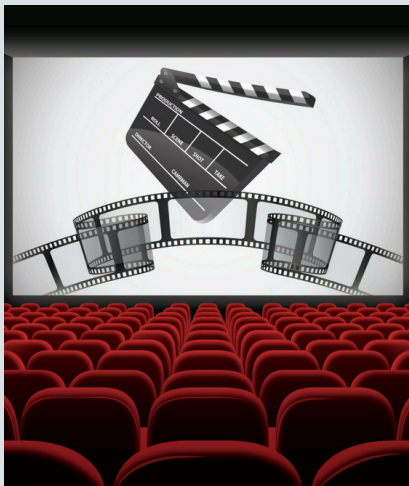
SO WE CAN SEE THAT FRENCH ACTORS WHO PLAY IN AMERICAN MOVIES ARE TRUE FRENCH, WHILE IN LITHUANIA, THESE ACTORS JUST HAVE LITHUANIAN BLOOD. WE CHOSE THIS ARTICLE BECAUSE WE LOVE WATCHING MOVIES AND WE FOLLOW THE LIFE OF THE FAMOUS ACTORS. WE LOVED FIND MORE INFORMATIONS, WE LEARNT A LOT THANKS TO OUR RESEARCH. THIS SUBJECT WAS VERY INTERESTING. WE ALSO CHOSE THIS SUBJECT BECAUSE WE LOVE KNOW EVERYTHING ABOUT THE FAMOUS PERSONALITIES AND WE DISCOVERED THE LITHUANIAN ACTORS. IT WAS VERY FUNNY !

NOW, WE HAVE A VIDEO ABOUT THE CANNES FESTIVAL BEHIND THE PHOTOS. GOOD VIEWING !

## INTERESTING

### Top 7 the most popular Lithuanian movies

1. „Lošėjas“
2. „Ekskursantė“
3. „Tadas Blinda. Pradžia“
4. „Eurazijos aborigenas“
5. „Aš esi Tu“
6. „Emilija iš Laisvės alėjos“
7. „Redirected“



### News from Lithuania's cinema world

#### Finished the most expensive movie

Adventure, action, passion, struggle it all promises the film "Tadas Blind. Beginning". In the premier we had a surprise when the main character appeared on the horse in cinema hall. Also this film cost 3,5 million litas (about 1 million euros). This film has more than 300 000 views, and this number is growing every day.



The film "Tadas Blind. Beginning"

# LITHUANIAN CINEMA AND MOVIES



**Lithuania's cinemas are well suited to foreigners.** All the movies (except some children-oriented ones) are shown in the original language with Lithuanian subtitles. In some cases, English or Russian subtitles are also available.

**Traditional multiplex cinemas** that mostly screen Hollywood production belong to several chains: Forum Cinemas, Atlantis Cinemas, Multikino. Almost every one of these cinemas is located in a modern shopping mall. Only in Vilnius, there is a multiplex cinema "Forum Cinemas Vingis" which is located in a separate building in the New Town.

Lithuanian **film industry** has made a spectacular comeback in the 2010s. Lithuanian movie industry looked at Hollywood for inspiration and is now able to make profits through lower budgets and some state funding. By 2014 Lithuanian movies captured 23%

of the local box office, surpassing the European average.

**The Lithuanian cinema comeback** was preceded by TV series comeback in the 2000s, mostly telenovelas aimed at women. Despite their local success, both Lithuanian TV series and movies have failed to attract global audiences so far. While Oscars, Golden Globes, and Palme d'Ors are still out of reach the local "Sidabrinė gervė" (Silver crane) award gained prominence.

**The current situation** is a great improvement since the 1990s when Lithuanian cinema was limited to rare state-funded arthouse movies which used to have a very limited screening even in Lithuania itself. **Now** Lithuania has a lot of great actors and actresses, with their help we made a lot of interesting movies, we can be proud because Lithuania has very good reputation and place in cinema world.

### Tips how to make your movie evening better

You want to watch a movie but you don't know how to make it fluently? Follow these 3 steps and your movie evening will become perfect!

1. Invite few friends and make a decision what kind of movie you want to watch.
2. Bring some snacks like popcorn and crisps.
3. Create cozy atmosphere and enjoy your movie!

\*Watch this video for more info:

# Christmas

As in Lithuania as in France christmas is very importante for everyone. We make a meal with all our family. It's a moment of sharing and hapiness. We love spending time with family. The christmas night is really magic!

A lot of people go to the midnight mass in the church to celebrate the Christ's birth. For the children it's the santa claus who bring the presents. He has a sled he go throught by chimney to put the present under the christmas tree. We got stras in the eyes when we see the under the tree the 25 morning. It's really magic with all our family. We love receive and give presents for our family. For Christmas we make a nursery with Marie and animals of the farm. The 25 of december we add Jesus Christ baby. It's really funny about myself because it's an another way to celebrate Christmas. In France, christmas food is the most important thing! Some family make the thirteen desserts. The thirteen desserts of Christmas, or Les Treize Desserts de Noël, are enjoyed after Gros Souper in Provence. The thirteen desserts are in reference to Jesus and his twelve apostles at the Last Supper. As tradition goes, there must be at least thirteen sweet available, they are all served at once, and each guest must have at least a small bit of each dessert.



*View of the Champs Elysees during Christmas*

In Lithuania there're tradition to make twelve dishes on Christmas Eve. Of course, not all families make exactly 12 dishes, some make less or more, but all meals should be without meat or other very greasy ingridients. On Christmas Eve table usually you can find fish, dishes made of vegetables, nuts, berries or others forest goods. Before Christmas Eve dinner in Lithuania is a tradition to pray and then eat thin waffle pieces, wich has the Saints pictures on it. Also you shouldn't eat made from potatoes, mayonnaise and pancakes. Even though on Christmas Eve we eat very lean food. On Christmas table you should find pork meat, but nowadays people are making fried goose, duck, turkey or chicken, stuffed with apples or pears.



*Christmas decorations*



**Look at our video!**

**Christmas festivities**

This is our video! We will presente you salon de provence's street markets! This is so beautiful because there is a lot of illuminations and decorations! <https://youtu.be/Q0oBGTwxCuM>



Thin waffles with the pictures of the Saints on them. We eat them at Christmas Eve dinner.



Easter eggs, decorated with different colours paints and wax.

## Lithuanian celebrations

In Lithuania are many different celebrations. Some of them are those which are celebrated in all world and others - celebrated just in Lithuania. The most celebrated days in Lithuania are Christmas, Christmas Eve and Easter.

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The biggest difference between our country and France about Christmas was that we make twelve dishes, but they make thirteen desserts. The similarities between French and Lithuanian traditions are that our food on Christmas is made with nuts, dried

On the Easter morning everyone goes to the church. When they come back home, from there, they sit at the Easter lunch table, talk to each other, share with kindness and warmth, eat. Of course, what is Easter lunch table without eggs? On every table you will find eggs decorated with different colours paints, wax or others beautiful patterns. Also there are created games for kids - rolling eggs or searching them in different places, where their parents hide them.

In both countries in Lithuania and in France, parents hide eggs and children go to find them. Of course, we all decorate eggs with colourful patterns and different drawings.

More about celebrations in Lithuania-



### Interesting facts:

- The Christmas wreath was originally hung as a symbol of Jesus. The holly represents his crown of thorns and the red berries the blood he shed.
- Easter is celebrated at different times by Eastern and Western Christians. That's because the dates for Easter in Eastern Christianity are based on the Julian Calendar.
- In Poland spiders are considered to be symbols of prosperity and goodness at Christmas. In fact, spiders and spider webs are often used as Christmas tree decorations. According to legend, a spider wove baby Jesus a blanket to keep him warm.
- Christians consider Easter eggs to symbolize joy and celebration, new life and resurrection.

## Fashion style of French and Lituianan teenagers

We can see many fashions differenties betwenn French and Lituianans teenagers.

In Lithuania people wear clothes in much darker tones than in France. There are some people who like to wear bright colors. It's difficult to find differences because Lithuanian and french people are very similar. Teenagers in Lithuania listen to techno music so they wear a lot of dark colors because of the trend. And French teenagers as we saw wear lighter shades and they like streetwear. In our city people are afraid to wear something unusual because there are a lot of people who judge you by your appearance. The Lituianan teenagers have the same brands as the French teenagers, we have brands like adidas, Fila, Nike, Yeezy, Zara, Pull and beer. The Lituianan teenager's is the same as the French teenagers, it is "streetwear", "Streetwear" is a fashion style where you are dressed with oversize hoodies, ripped jeans. The clothes in Lithuania and in France are very expensive, particularly to buy "streetwear" clothes, we can buy shoes for 420e like yeezy



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French style and lituianan style

**French and lithuanian styles are not the same distinct but look pretty similar**





*Yves Saint Laurent is one of the most famous French stylists as Karl Lagerfeld who works for Chanel.*



*The shows are broadcast live on social networks, the images are shared, commented, adored, hated. The brands invest Instagram, Twitter, Pinterest, Snapchat and exchange directly with their customers.*



*Juozas Statkevicius, one of the most famous Lithuanian stylists, also makes the name of Lithuania known.*

# France and Lithuania- Fashion



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*"Fashion is what you're offered four times a year by designers. And style is what you choose." — Lauren Hutton*



*Book with flowers*



*The Little Prince by St Exsupery  
CLICK HERE*

## **Although France and Lithuania people don't speak the same language and these countries are in the same continent and are some similarities and differences at the level of reading**

***In France and Lithuania, e-book is less popular than the book.***

While ebook reading continues to grow slowly, only 1% of french people are exclusive e-book readers. This reading is a complaint of books in paper format (practiced by 89%of french).

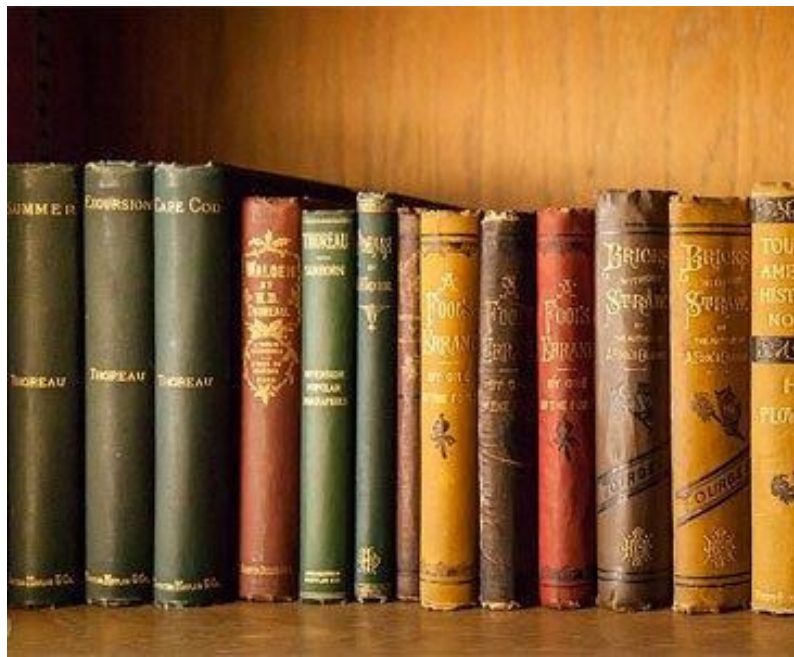
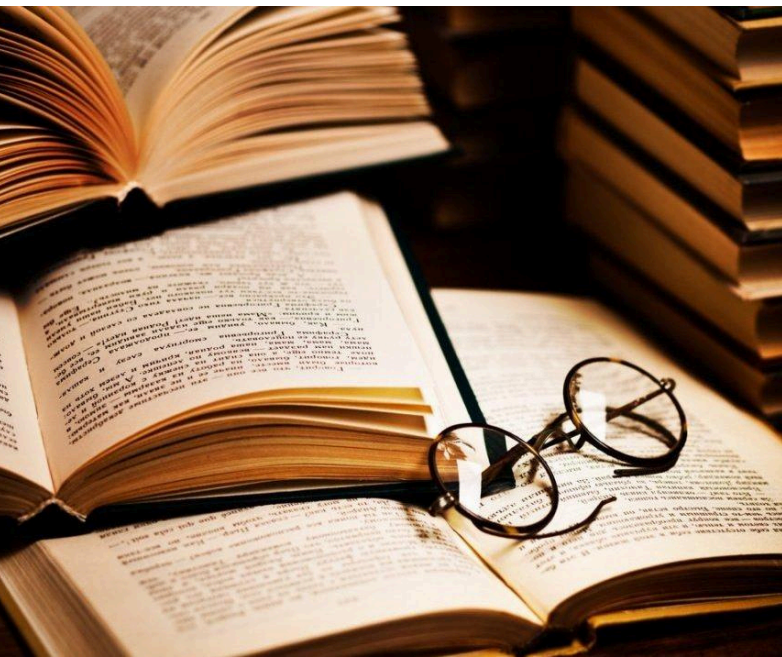
Moreover, the general literature is the most represented in the ebook. In terms of format, the most used are the EPUB and the PDF. The book of Trierweiler has, for example, generated in 4 days 14 000 sales of ebooks vs. 140 000 sales of paper books. In 2017, 21% of readers who read more than 20 printed books by year are also ebook readers.

There is a similar situation in Lithuania as well : while some people prefer to keep their old habit to read paper books, 71% of the 285 questioned people answered that they had tried to read or are now reading an ebook. However, they aren't highly popular in Lithuania.

Finally, book is an object that we can skim through, which has a particular smell and which can be appreciated the paper and the cover to the touch. It's also a book, sometimes very beautiful if the edition is neat, which can decorate your bookshelf, fill it, and make it a library. Some readers will also talk about their worn-out books because they are read and reread, "cuddly toy book" indispensable to read when everything goes wrong.

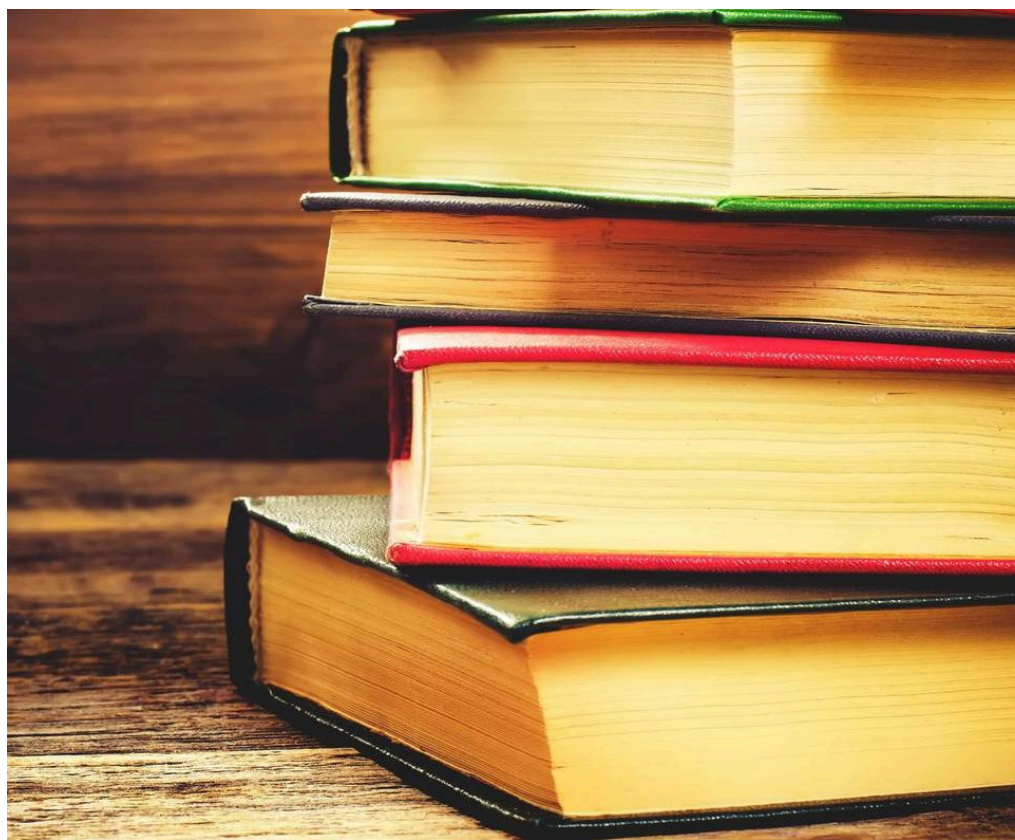


*E-book on tablet*



## The kind of book that Lithuanians and the French read

***The two countries have common points in relation to the genres and book styles read.*** In France, adult men read mostly history, adult women read novels, while young people especially read science-fiction and fantasy. Many authors are leaders of the literature science-fiction like : Clifford Donald Simak with the book "Here Gather the Stars", who was rewarded in 1964 of Hugo price. The teenagers often read movies adaptations, for example: the famous movies like Harry Potter "Divergent or the Labyrinth". The French read foreign books like "Des souris et des hommes" by John Steinbeck The mortal instrument by Cassandra Clare. The most read books in France are The little Prince by Antoine Saint Exupéry, the author of which is well known in Europe, for example, by the Lithuanians, likewise - V. Hugo. In Lithuania people mostly read science-fiction, detective stories and romantic novels. The same as in France, the most popular book among children is "The Little Prince" by Antoine de Saint-Exupéry.



*"There is no friend as loyal as a book." — Ernest Hemingway*



## Recognizing first letters and words

*In both countries children usually start to recognize some of the letters in the kindergarten.* Later, when they are almost 6-7 years old, they learn how to read and spell basic word correctly. Unfortunately, there is no accurate information that could show the exact number of children who had already started to read while being a 5-year-old or younger. Young French people read at school French literature that evolves (in the bath of difficulties) depending on their age and then studying them. A major part reads during their free time (novels or comics) while others never read. In addition, most professors make us read small books in English, which allows us to improve our English. After that, we study them in class (with questions about the text), the same for the French where we do analysis more complex. To finish, reading is still very important because it enriches our vocabulary and knowledge.





## The French class

*Exchanging with our Lithuanian partners to find out about our common points and differences*



*Playing the Lithuanian Kahoot quiz!!*

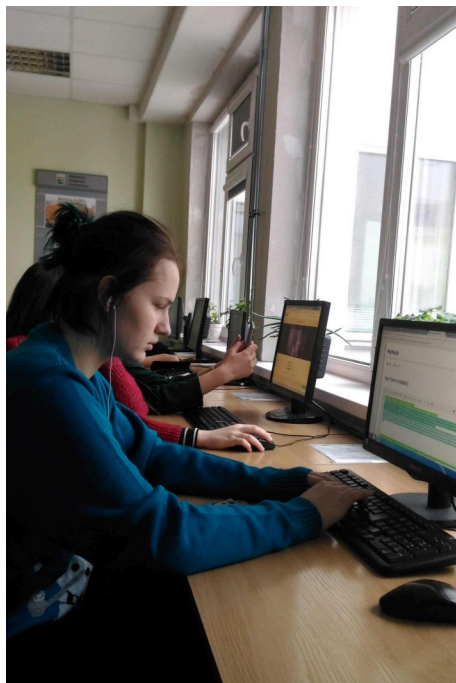




**Preparing cupcakes  
for our French  
friends!**

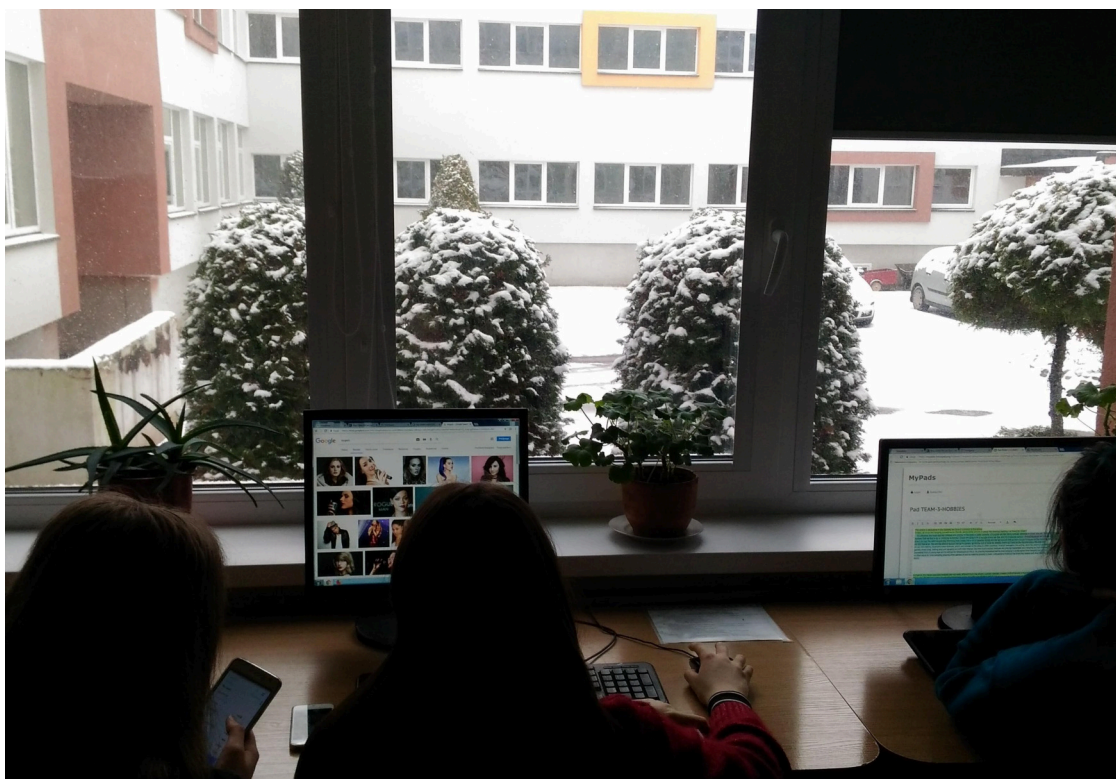


**Anna and  
Margot  
working on  
the  
beautiful  
cover page!**



**Writing the  
collaborative  
articles.**

**Hard work inside...  
Snow outside...  
That's winter in  
Lithuania!**



# The Lithuanian class



