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Tips when traveling to another country

"Traveling, leaves you speechless, then turns you into a storyteller."

When traveling to another country, tourists have to have in mind these basic tips: make sure that your passport/ID card is up to date, make copies of them, make sure that you have medical insurance, always have local cash, get guidebooks, check for travel advisors, verify the countries entrance and exit fees because there are some that demand that a traveller has to pay when entering/leaving the state.

There are also some more specific tips that could really come in handy when you start your "soul's trip", such as researching for local tourist scams. In Romania, Bulgaria and other states, taxi drivers charge you extra money. The advice will be that you call for a cab or ask them to turn on the tax machine.

Be prepared that in some nations public transportation is late (Romania, Italy, Bulgaria) or sometimes they have a work stoppage (Greece). In Turkey, on the 10th of November, at precisely 9:05 a.m. sirens start making noise and all the people stop or get out of the car and just stand still for a minute. "They do this out of respect for Mustafa Kemal Ataturk whom died on the 10th of November 1938". Furthermore, you should check on how the public transportation system work. In Latvia, the roads are closed when there is a town celebration. In some countries drivers don't respect the rules and people should be very careful when crossing the road (Greece, Turkey, South of Italy).

A tourist should pack appropriately. Some examples are Greece, Cyprus, Italy that always have a warm weather even in winter, Poland also will surprise you by its good weather. Bring the medicine that you need because in some states you cannot find everything that you need. Buy adapters for your electronic devices because they vary from each state (Italy, UK etc.).

It would be recommended to learn a few key phrases and some gestures. For example, in Greece if you show some one your hand open, facing them, it means a very bad word and it's considered a huge insult. In Bulgaria, nodding means no and shaking the head means yes. Also, if you forget a word in Bulgarian you can say "takova" instead which is used as an noun and a verb. In Belgium, if you show the pinky finger it will mean that you want a beer.

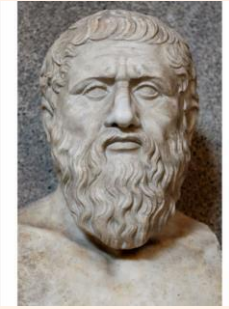
Be aware of the national holidays, special dates, other events when searching for a traveling period so you know if the shops will be closed or not, if there will be protests/manifestations, special visiting days or hours etc. In Italy for example, there are some periods when the museums have a free entrance.

For dog owners, if traveling to Cyprus, you should have in mind the fact that they don't walk the dog outside and there are less places that allows them inside.

To see many hidden beauties and to save time, in some states it's really useful to rent a car (Cyprus, Greece, Romania etc.).

"Travel is the only thing that you can buy that will make you richer", so start exploring the wonders of the world, travel smart and efficient.

My country is the best because ...



There are some things that make the countries special. Culture comes first and the country keeps people together. They provide links with their states.

Stavros(22),Greece

"Greece is best because of its great civilization and for huge contribution of Greek philosopher to humanity. We proud of hospitality Greek people show to people from country or tourist.



Athena was the first state to apply democracy to a regime".

Bieke(28), Belgium

"We have the best chocolate and beer and we are a very progressive country.

Belgium is the second country with a gay marriage and prime minister is gay. Human rights are very important".



Kristina(23), Bulgaria

"My country is best because of our rich cultural heritage and because of our wellpreserved traditions".



Adelina(25), Romania

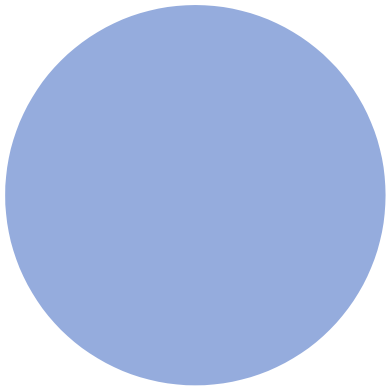
"In Romania, you find everything your soul desires We have mountains, seaside, amazing views and interesting historical architecture".

Gizay(18),Turkey

Our history is so coated. Our geographical position is important and we host a lot of cultures and nations. We have a lot of natural beauties and a lot of loam. Turkish people are so hospitable".



Unique traditions and customs



Europe is very diverse. Each culture has customs that they embrace and practice. Some of these traditions are celebrations dedicated to historical events. Others include wearing a particular clothing every day to respect and remember their people's origins. I have interviewed several people of different cultures to find what they think make them special and unique.



One of the biggest celebrations that most Christians have is Easter. In Bulgaria, for example, the people make a lot of preparations by baking sweet bread, lamb roasts and colouring eggs. Students come home from university to spend time with their relatives and friends. In Greece, some very religious people decide to fast for 48 days. The fast begins on Clean Monday with going outside to fly kites. In Poland, boys can choose to show their affections to girls by pouring water on them.

Another famous Christian tradition is celebrating Christmas. The time leading up to Christmas eve is spent differently in various places around the world. Belgians celebrate the day of St. Nicolas on the 6th of December. He is known to be a good old man who brings presents to children and he also rides a white horse. St. Nicolas has a helper called Zwarte Piet who is black because he goes down chimneys to deliver sweets to good children and abduct bad children to send them to Spain. In Poland, they put hay under table sheets during the eve dinner while telling children that animals can talk to you but only at midnight during Christmas. The Romanians prepare a pig for the eve feast. They put a whole pig under a pile of hay and set it on fire. After the fire has been extinguished, they slice the skin into thin slices and eat it with a pinch of salt.



Then there are the New Year's celebrations. In Cyprus, they exchange their gifts from Christmas on the 1st of January while Romanians go outside and dance in bear costumes.

Some countries prefer embracing their local traditions on a grander scale. The village of Deryneia, located in Cyprus, hosts a big party in their stadium every 2 years. The festival is dedicated to strawberries. Strawberry jam, strawberries with or without chocolate are available for free. In Sardinia, every village has their own special costume that they show off during a parade in Cagliari every 1st of May.



Inequality

The definition of social inequalities tells that people are not equal because of their physical and psychological traits. The main cause is to belong to various groups or possess different social positions.

People need to be rich not only to satisfying their physical needs but also they have a cultural pressure. Fact that people 's great need is to clothe but putting on well known and expensive brands is cultural need.

The value of goods (money) are able to gain very admired traits like fame or power. Authority give a feeling of power, potency, advantage and security. It is exchangeable for other goods, mainly economic ones. It makes it easier to manipulate, obtain better information, personal contacts and also provides the possibility of blackmail or corruption. However, it is a rare good, because if everyone had power, it really would not exist at all. For power to exist and have sense, there must be those who rule and those who are governed. Prestige means respect, social recognition, acceptance, applause, fame.

People pay attention to him for two reasons. The first one is related to the concept of a fathered self that says that people make themselves think of themselves, looking at how others value them. The second reason is that it is a good exchangeable for other, eg. Reputation translates into chances of finding a good job and higher earnings. With prestige is just like with fame, if everyone had it, nobody would have it. Education gives autotelic satisfaction, because it satisfies the typical impulse of curiosity for people, and is helpful in relation to all three basic values - wealth, power and prestige.

Health and physical fitness - it is also a condition to gain wealth, prestige or power, because in general disease or disability make it impossible to achieve these goods, or in any case consummation or use. Life opportunities is an access or a chance to live in wealth, prestige, power, education and health which give us the position we occupy and the group in which we find ourselves. Social stratification is hierarchy of social strata with greater or lesser chances of access to some socially valued good: wealth, power, etc.

Every value or good constructs its own stratification ladder. Groups and positions occupy some special places in each of them. NP. in the economic stratification, the doctor will be higher than the nurse, according to the authority - the director above the worker, according to the prestige, the television announcer above the teacher. However, all these stratification ladders are usually depending on each other, for example, wealth gives power and prestige or prestige can lead to power, influence, and also higher earnings. Sometimes there are discrepancies.

The same position on one ladder can have a high place and on the other, for example, a low university professor earns little money, has little power but high prestige. Inequalities in our world are unavoidable. Often we have not control of it. For instance people haven't influence in which family they will born (rich or poor) or in which country. Inequalities accompany us from world's beginning and nothing indicates that this issue could change.



C.C.M.M.R.R.P.P.S.S

C.C.M.M.R.R.P.P.S.S (Countries Capitals Mountains Musicians Rivers Religion Poets Painters Seas Sports) is a trivial entertaining game that helps you test your knowledge, vocabulary, writing skills and learn throughout this exciting paper game.

- Instructions:

One letter is chosen every round by a player. The timer starts the countdown. Each player has 10 seconds to fill in a category. When the countdown ends, each player reads out loud (clockwise) what they wrote in that category. Each player is rewarded a number of points, or not, based on what they answered.

Each game consists of 10 rounds. At the end of the game the points are calculated and the winner has to give a dare to each player.

- Rules:

1. Each category has to be filled within 10 seconds.
2. Each player has to stop writing when the time is out and turn their paper while reading what they wrote.
3. Each game consists of 10 rounds.
4. The winner has the right to give a dare to each player.

- Points:

- 0 points - if an entry was not filled
- 5 points - if minimum two players have the same answer
- 10 points - if the answer is unique