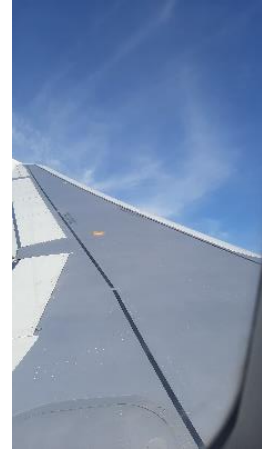


## Former Reports Gian-Reto Stacher

And seven weeks have already passed...

It's incredible how fast time flies. I've been here in England for over seven weeks now and already experienced so much.

On 28 July the journey to the United Kingdom started. On this Sunday I organized a "Family and Friends Brunch" to say goodbye to those who are important to me. It was good to have so many people around and to almost forget that I was leaving. At the airport I saw the other participants of the KV Plus. We had only seen each other twice before at an information event. Still a bit shy we introduced ourselves to each other and flew together to London. At the airport we were picked up by the school and taken by coach to the host families. At ten o'clock I arrived quite tired at my host family's home. We introduced ourselves briefly and then went to bed.



School started the next morning. The first two weeks we had an intensive course in order to have a good start into the semester. We had a very cheerful teacher, which made the lessons easier for us. In the first two weeks we were preparing for the CAE (Advanced Certificate) and saw how the tasks were set in the exam.

After these two weeks everyone started their internship in their company. I work at the BIC (Bournemouth International Centre), which is comparable to the Hallenstadion in Switzerland. My working day is a lot more relaxed than in Switzerland :). I work from 10:00 to 17:00, that's six hours a day. I could get used to that...



Of course, we also experience a lot in addition to our daily work. We try to do something every weekend and explore the landscape here. Last weekend we hired a car and spent two days exploring the region. It's very nice here and we've practically always had nice weather so far - hopefully it will stay that way.

After these first weeks I can say that I am happy taken this opportunity to be here and I am looking forward to more great experiences.

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