

My first month in Tralee



Hello! My name is Jana, and I've been living in Tralee for about a month now. I arrived at the end of July, and I have to say, it's been a completely new experience being here in Ireland. Before I arrived, I imagined that almost everyone would have red hair, but that turned out to be completely wrong! Ireland is much more diverse than I expected.

At the moment, I'm staying with a lovely host family, consisting of my host dad, host mom, and their three dogs. The dogs are super sweet and full of energy – I've quickly become very close to them. When I first arrived, there was also an Italian exchange student living with us. She was really kind, and I loved talking to her, which made the start of my stay much easier.

The first two weeks were mainly about improving our English skills. We went to language school and did a lot of exercises. Now, we're working during the week and only go to school on Tuesday and Thursday afternoons for Cambridge exam preparation (which is coming up in December).

Right now, I'm working in the administration department of an engineering office. My main responsibility is answering phone calls. At first, it was quite challenging to understand people on the phone, especially with the Irish accent, but little by little, I've gotten used to it, and now it's becoming much easier to understand them.



On weekends, we love going on trips to explore Ireland. So far, we've done the Ring of Kerry, visited the stunning Cliffs of Moher, and spent time in Killarney. Each of these trips has been unique and the landscapes here are just breathtaking. But what I enjoy the most is sharing these experiences with the other students. It's a great way to bond and create unforgettable memories together.

All in all, I'm incredibly grateful for this opportunity that Movetia gave me. Living in Ireland not only gives me the chance to improve my English, but it also allows me to learn so much about the culture and people here. Every new experience, whether at work or on a weekend trip, makes this journey feel like a true adventure that I'll never forget.