



ANDREA VĚTRÍČKOVÁ – second prize

When I wrote my entrance essay for the Travel Award competition I didn't consider that much whether I would be able to make it or not: I just wrote what I would really like to do in England.

After winning my prize it became more serious, but I am happy to say that I didn't cut it down at all. I wrote in my essay that I would stay in England for approximately two weeks and in the end it was exactly 21 days.

The first three days I spent in London, sightseeing and visiting well-known galleries and museums. I even spent time with a couchsurfer living in London who offered to show me round the city, particularly the local street art.



I continued to Oxford where I got to know a friendly Swiss who showed me the most interesting sights of the city: the



next part of my trip was more in the countryside, because I made a walking trip with my backpack and tent in the Cotswolds. That was lovely.

I travelled by bus to Stratford upon Avon and then on to Blackpool where I met up with two girls from AKS Lytham whom I know from the International Science Seminar in which we all participated four years ago.



A big walking trip through the Lake District was next, going from Ambleside to the west coast and then back to the mountains where I reached the summit of Scafell Pike. Then I took a bus from Keswick to Hadrian's Wall. I walked along for a day, visiting Housesteads on the way. Finally I travelled on the bus from Sunderland to London and then from London.

This was surely an awesome and unforgettable experience – my thanks to the organisers of the competition, to those who financed the prizes and to the judges - and, because I did not make it to Edinburgh, I already have another idea about my next trip to Great Britain...next time to Scotland.



