My experience in Ireland.

When I first came here, the few days I had before school started, my feelings where quite different to the ones that the rest of the Spanish were having. I wasn't confused, or scared, not even a little bit afraid. Surprisingly, I was too excited and amazed with all the new things and the massive experience that I was about to live that I didn't had time to feel anything but impatience for getting to know my new life.

The first weeks of school are so confusing. It's a really big school, and everyone is so lost the first days, just like in any other school, but when everyone is settled, all starts to work and you feel like there's always someone there to help you if you don't know where to go or you are alone at some point. Also, if you have any problem with anything, you can always go to Rachelle, our coordinator, that helps us with anything we need and has lots of patience standing us all.

Everyone here is so nice, teachers and students. You obviously might find someone with a bad comment to say, or a bad look, but that's everywhere, you have to know how to ignore it and move on, and I can say completely sure of it that here the people tries to make everyone around them happy and comfortable. I've made lots of Irish friends now. Apart of my English improvement, I take with me a lot of new and amazing friendships that I'm so glad that I made.

I've been in a family with three brothers (they are five in the family counting the parents). I'm a girl, and people, before I came used to tell me if I wasn't scared about living with three boys in the same house for a year. And I kind of was at the start. Nowadays, I'm so glad that I finished in this family. Living a family that it's not your own, might sound like a tough thing to do, but, at least from my experience, they make it so easy for you. The family treated me like one more. I've laughed with them, I've played with the kids, and I've been so happy all the time that I've been around here.

I highly recommend getting involved in everything you can, either school activities or after school. You have lots of time free here, and it's so important that you don't lose it. I've been doing soccer all the year, where I met some of my friends, and then I've also been taking English classes with my lovely teacher Aine, and piano classes, with an amazing pianist called Billy (the sweetest person ever). Apart from that, I've been doing as many activities offered by the school as I could, such as going to visit universities, going to see plays and taking part on the school show.

The objective of this essay for me, apart from explaining my experience to anyone that cares, is making everyone that is thinking on doing this jump and spending some time in this beautiful place go for it and live what I lived, cause it really is worth it. You get to really improve your English so much, and you also become a better person,

more mature, more sensible. But, above all of that, you get to know lots of amazing, special, incredible new people. That experience, that feeling, makes all this worth it.

