



Language Buffet: European Countries



Topic: Typical regional dishes

 120 minutes for the presentation

 from 9 years (from grade 3)

Necessary material/Preparation

- a big presentation room, plates, cutlery, napkins
- flags/posters
- A4 papers with the respective recipe of the presented dish on it
- A4 papers with several phrases in that language on it
- several classes are supposed to take part in this project, if possible all parallel classes

Learning objective/Skills

The learners

- learn what is eaten in different countries.
- learn what the national flags look like.
- learn what certain phrases in the respective language sound like.
- learn or get to know and come to appreciate the culture of different countries by tasting fine dishes.

Arrangement

Project, group work, presentation, discussion

Lesson plan

The learners prepare a typical dish of a country together with their parents and bring it with them to school. It can be the country of origin or a country of choice. For the presentation, every group gets a table where they can advertise their dish and country. On every table are info leaflets with the presented dishes' recipes and a few sentences in the respective language on them. The guests of the Language Buffet are students from other classes that go from table to table, taste the dishes and additionally get information about the country and language.

Detailed description of the most important activities

Activities	Comments
1. The learners choose a country they want to represent and research at home what dish is typical for the country e.g. strudel for Austria, mici (grilled ground meat) for Romania, pizza or lasagne for Italy etc.).	The teacher gives the students instructions how everything is going to work out.
2. The students prepare the dish at home, write down the recipe on an A4 paper, craft the flag or a poster with the flag on it and write down the assigned sentences in the language of the country.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ parents help preparing the dish▪ the flags can be crafted in the art lessons (cross-curricular teaching!)▪ big legible font on the A4 papers▪ the same sentences will be translated for all languages See worksheet 1.
3. The dishes will be presented. For the presentation, the students pay attention to the look and the completeness of their country's presentation/dish's presentation.	

Further tips (Ideas for further activities, project days, open assignments)

It is also possible to invite the parents of the students and especially older students that work for the school newspaper or radio capturing the event in pictures and asking the guest about the dishes.

External links

<http://www.leseuronautes.eu/die-europaeische-kueche/>
<http://www.so-schmeckts.de/rezepte/europaeische-spezialitaeten>

Worksheet 1 (Quick language course for the language)

Hello!	
My name is/Our names are	
Our country is.....	
Our country is located in the (N, W, S, E) of Europe.	
Our neighbouring countries are	
The favorite dishes (the country's name) are:	
We love	
Our most famous personalities are	
Thank you!	
Goodbye!	