So the Story Goes...

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My eTwinning experience

- 2015 eTwinning seminar for beginners (spring -Tallinn; autumn - Finland
- 2015/16 "Glimpses of Home Place"
- 2016/17 "Culture Kids Rainbow"
- 2017/18 "Home Sweet Home" (national quality label)
- 2018/19 "So The Story Goes" (best language project)

Project ideas

- getting reliable partners for the project work (KA1, eTwinning conference)
- storytelling as a method of EFL teaching
- Fr. R. Kreutzwald/Brothers Grimm collectors of folktales
- folktales a part of the national curriculum in literature

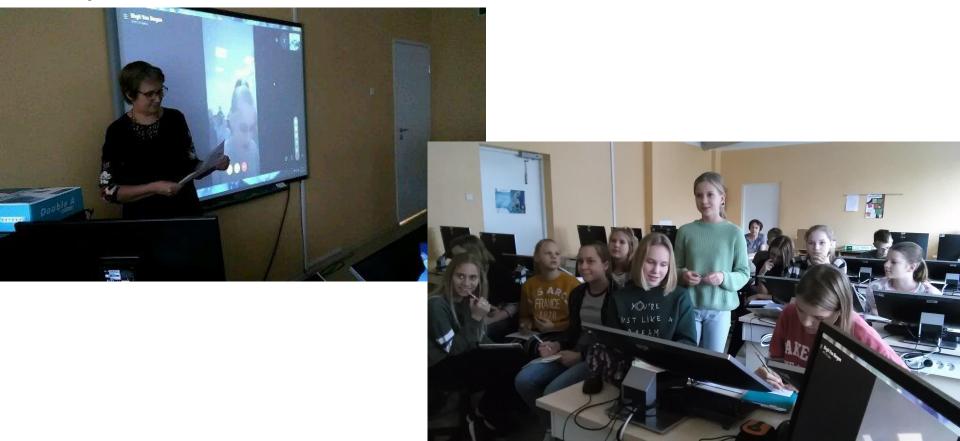
Beginning

- students read folktales in Estonian and paraphrased different stories in pairs
- research on Kreutzwald`s life, visiting the house museum, taking notes
- creating questions and answers on Kreutzwald`s life (Estonian and English)

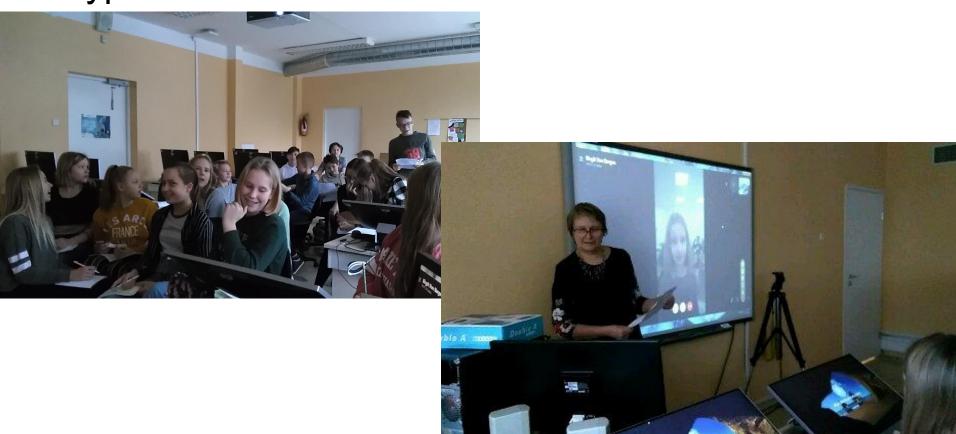
Skype interview and poster

- practising questions and answers
- literary interviews by Skype
 (speaking, listening, understanding, taking notes)
- creating a poster using the gained information (Canva)

Skype session



Skype session



Translating stories into English

- 4 paraphrased stories were chosen
- a word bank was formed
- the stories were translated into English and uploaded
- the partners` English stories were translated into Estonian
- some illustrative pictures were added

The Final Product

An eBook was compiled in Storyjumper

https://www.storyjumper.com/book/index/64798105/5c69 2e588583f#

In addition

- presentations of students (international groups in Padlet)
- introducing home places (GoogleTour Builder)

https://tourbuilder.withgoogle.com/builder#play/ahJzfmd3ZWItdG91cmJ1aWxkZXJyEQsSBFRvdXIYgICg09zR2QoM

- feedback (Googleforms)
- reflection (Answergarden)

Benefits for students! Students could:

- improve their storytelling skills in English and Estonian
- enlarge their English vocabulary
- learn new information about the authors and folktales
- broaden their culture awareness
- communicate with teenagers from Germany
- learn to use new ICT tools

Benefits for teachers

- make the studying process real and more enjoyable (for yourself and students)
- motivate your students more
- learn to use new IT tools
- develop professionally

Thank you for listening!