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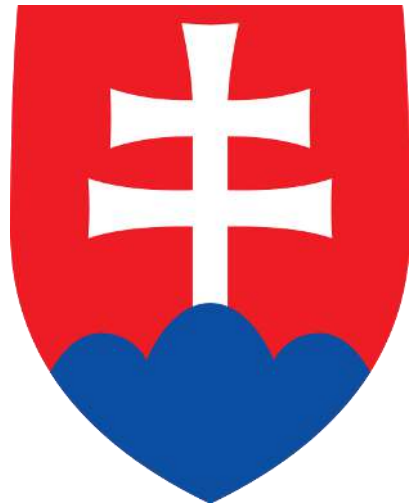
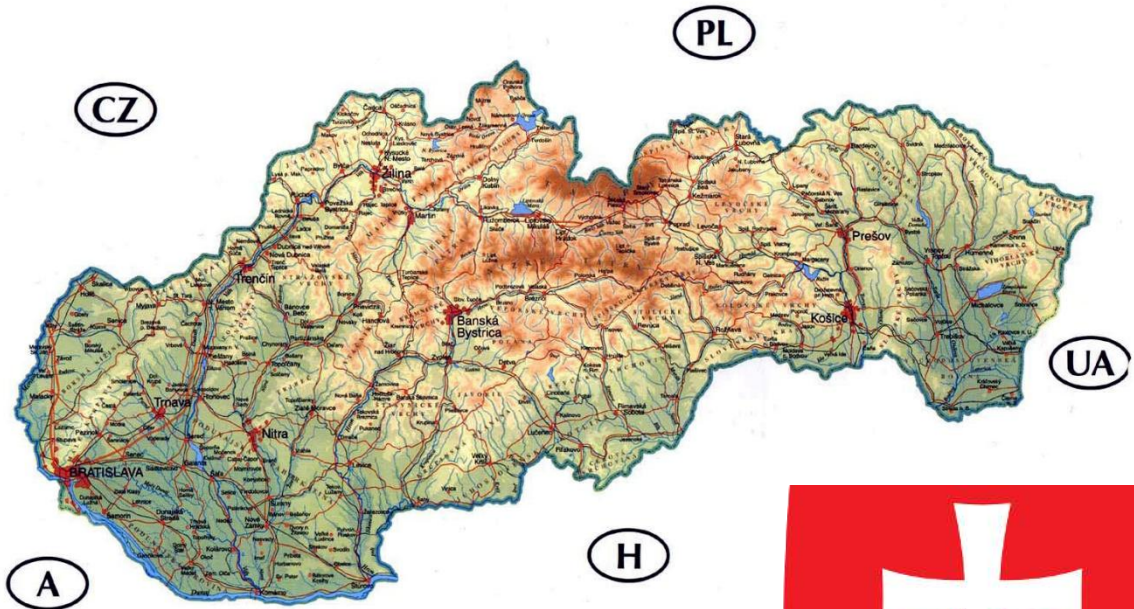
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THE HITCHHIKER'S GUIDE

TO (GALAXY)
SLOVAKIA

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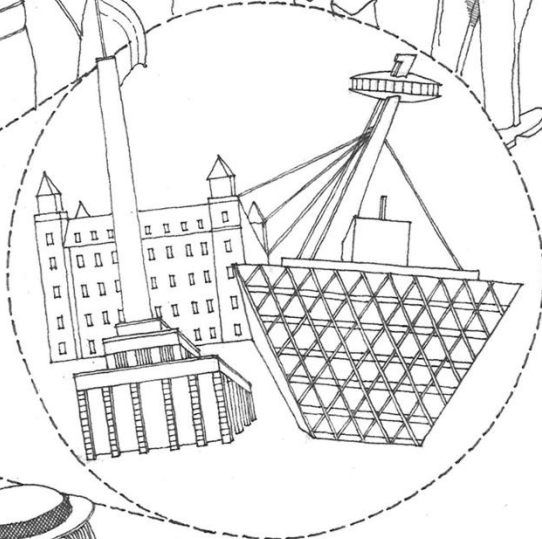
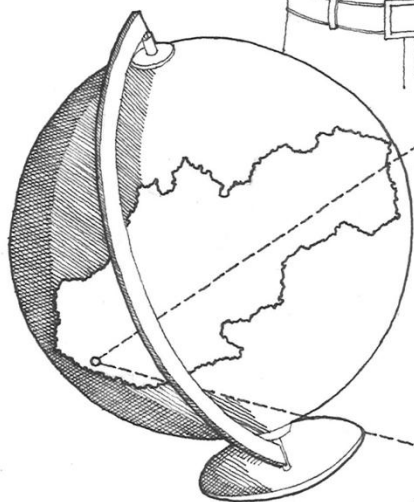
THE HITCHHIKER'S GUIDE TO GALAXY OF THE MOST REMARKABLE THE GALAXY IS A VERY REMARKABLE BOOK, ONE AND CERTAINLY THE MOST SUCCESSFUL BOOKS EVER PUBLISHED BY THE MAMMOTH PUBLISHING HOUSE IN LITTLE BEAR.

SURELY YOU ALL KNOW HER, AND SURELY YOU KNOW ME, FORD PREFECT - ONE OF THE CONTRIBUTORS TO THIS GUIDE.

TO EXPAND THE SCOPE OF THE PUBLICATION, THE PUBLISHER DECIDED THAT I ALSO NEED TO EXPLORE THE SMALLER PLANETS IN THE GALAXY. SO HE SENT ME TO A PLANET CALLED SLOVAKIA

THE CAPITAL OF SLOVAKIA IS BRATISLAVA. SLOVAKS CLAIM THAT IT IS A BIG CITY, EVEN THOUGH IT HAS ONLY HALF A MILLION INHABITANTS. ACTUALLY ... ONLY 5,427,917 EARTHLINGS LIVE ON THE ENTIRE PLANET.

THE PLANET SLOVAKIA IS INHABITED BY CREATURES CALLED SLOVAKS.



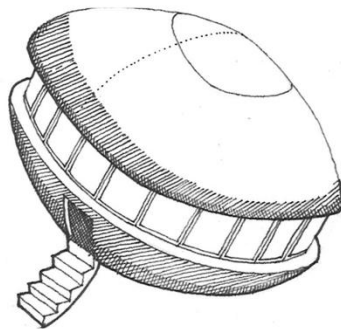
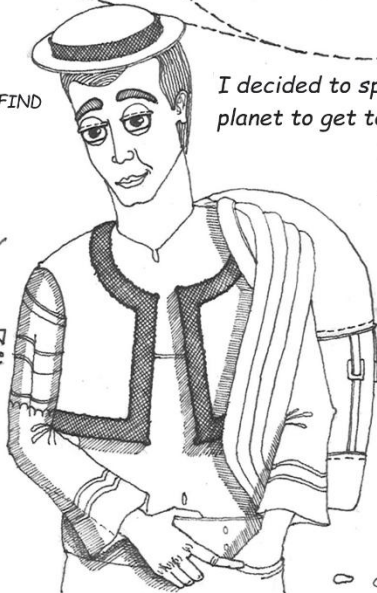
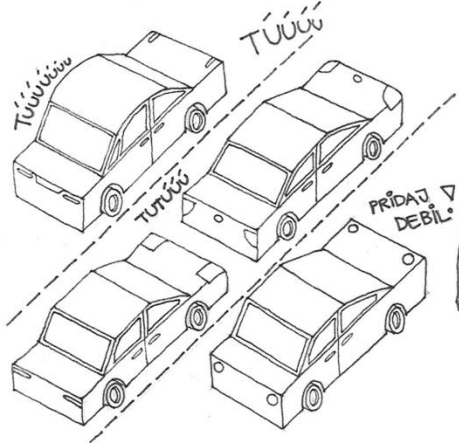
SLOVAKS ARE STILL IN A HURRY.

A NOTE IN THE HITCHHIKER'S GUIDE: I NEED TO FIND OUT WHERE THEY ARE IN A HURRY!

I decided to spend a year on this planet to get to know it well.

Note to the Hitchhiker's Guide:

It is important to fit in with the natives!



HITCHHIKERS HAVE A HARD TIME IN SLOVAKIA.
SOME SLOVAKS DO NOT WANT TO STOP
HITCHHIKERS.

NOTE TO THE HITCHHIKER'S GUIDE : IT IS
EASIER TO USE ANOTHER TYPE OF TRANSPORT!



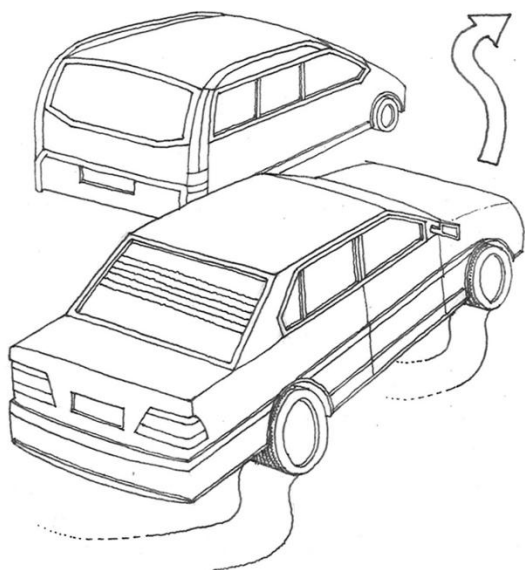
SOMEWHERE AMONG THE PEOPLE.

WHERE WILL IT BE?

OK. JUMP IN! I'LL STEP ON IT.



ALTHOUGH THE SLOVAKS HAVE NOT YET INVENTED A
WARP DRIVE FOR THEIR CARS, SOME ARE ALREADY
APPROACHING IT.



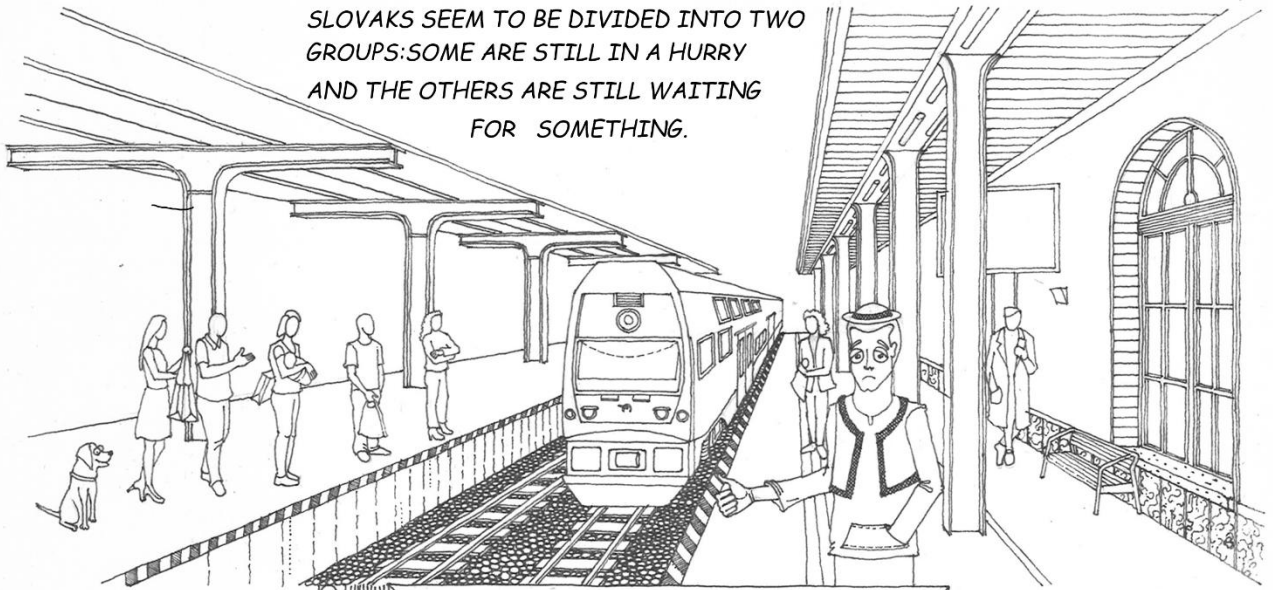
THANK YOU, I WILL
DEFINITELY GET
BACK TO YOU.

NEXT TIME YOU NEED A
RIDE, CALL ME BACK. I'M
PIŠTA.



NOTE TO THE HITCHHIKER'S GUIDE:
'NEVER TRACK PIŠTA! YOU BETTER
STOP THE TRAIN.

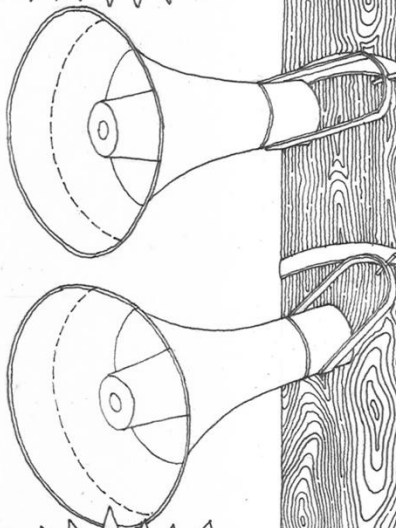
SLOVAKS SEEM TO BE DIVIDED INTO TWO GROUPS: SOME ARE STILL IN A HURRY AND THE OTHERS ARE STILL WAITING FOR SOMETHING.



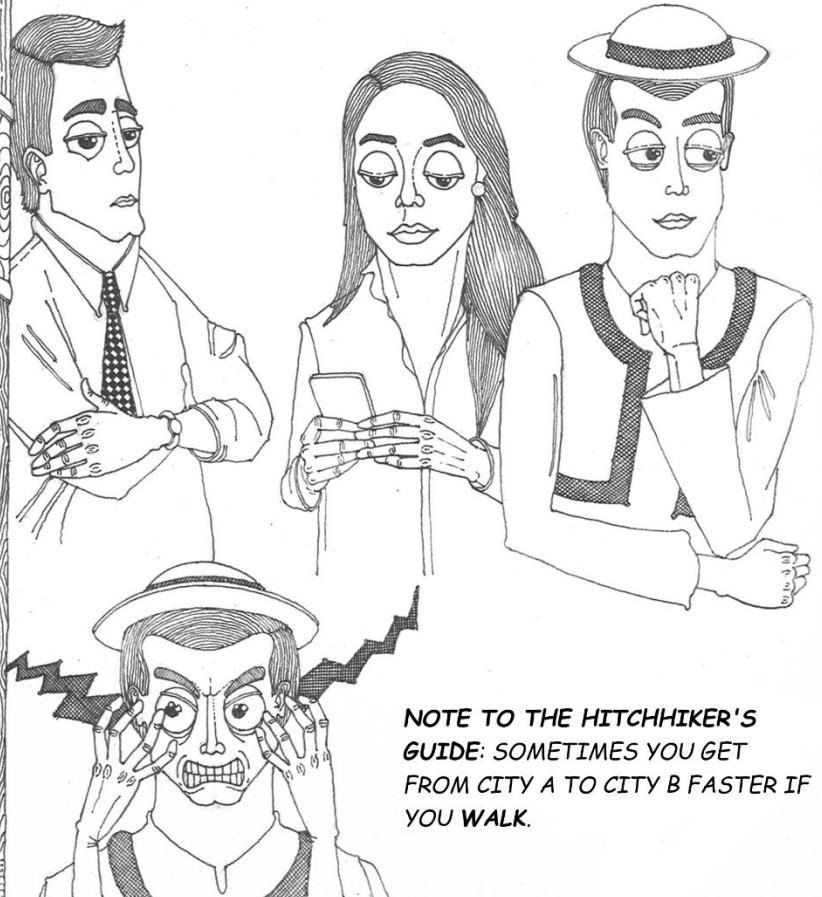
SINCE SLOVAKS LIKE TO WAIT, CARRIERS SOMETIMES MAKE THEM HAPPY AND PROLONG THE WAITING TIME.

PASSENGERS ARE REMINDED THAT THE EXPRESS TRAIN FROM CITY A TO CITY B WILL BE 30 MINUTES LATE. WE APOLOGIZE FOR THE DELAY.

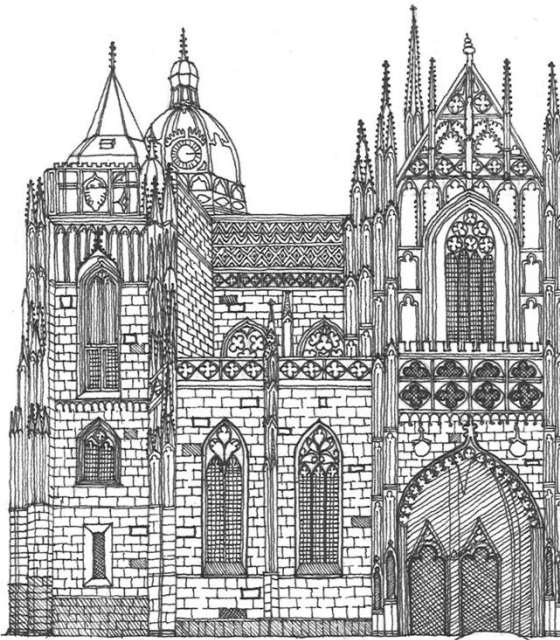
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12:32	R ZSSK	BRATISLAVA	TRNAVA	40
12:43	/C ZSSK	KOŠICE	SPIŠSKÁ NOVÁ VES	30
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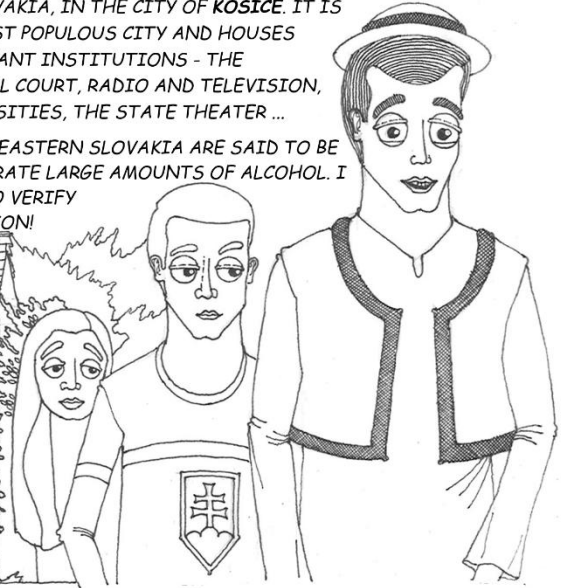


NOTE TO THE HITCHHIKER'S GUIDE: SOMETIMES YOU GET FROM CITY A TO CITY B FASTER IF YOU WALK.



WE WILL START OUR RESEARCH AT THE EAST POLE OF THE PLANET SLOVAKIA, IN THE CITY OF KOŠICE. IT IS THE SECOND MOST POPULOUS CITY AND HOUSES SEVERAL IMPORTANT INSTITUTIONS - THE CONSTITUTIONAL COURT, RADIO AND TELEVISION, SEVERAL UNIVERSITIES, THE STATE THEATER ...

THE NATIVES IN EASTERN SLOVAKIA ARE SAID TO BE KNOWN TO TOLERATE LARGE AMOUNTS OF ALCOHOL. I HAVE DECIDED TO VERIFY THIS INFORMATION!



BRING ME SOME ALCOHOLIC DRINK!

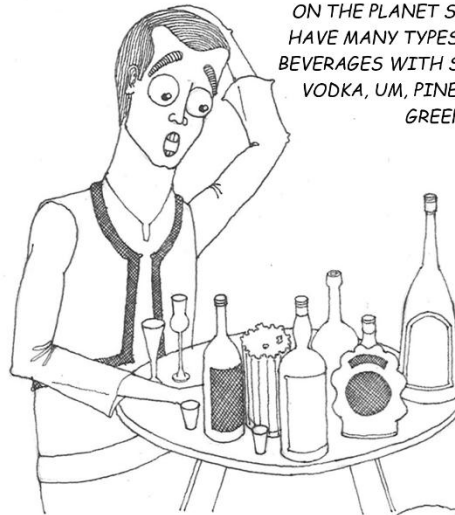
WHAT KIND?

ALL OF THEM!!!



NOTE TO THE HITCHHIKER'S GUIDE:

ON THE PLANET SLOVAKIA, THEY HAVE MANY TYPES OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES WITH STRANGE NAMES: VODKA, UM, PINE (BOROVIČKA), GREEN ...

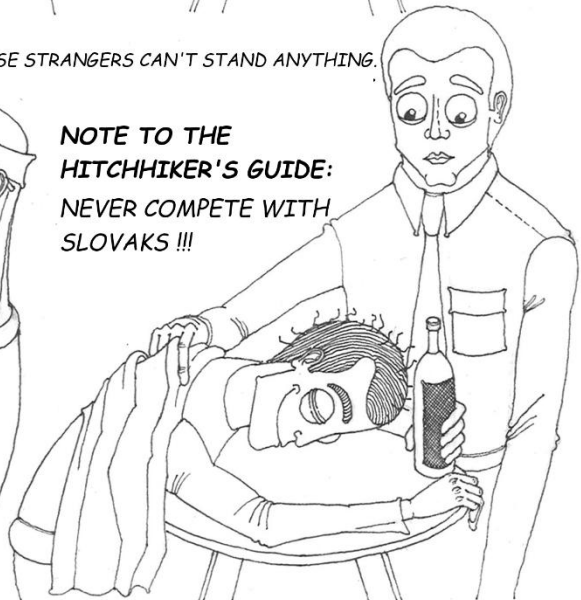


SLOVAKS SEEM TO BE VERY COMPETITIVE. THEY SUGGESTED A CONTEST TO ME WHO WILL DRINK MORE ...

THOSE STRANGERS CAN'T STAND ANYTHING.



NOTE TO THE HITCHHIKER'S GUIDE:
NEVER COMPETE WITH SLOVAKS !!!





COME ON, I'LL TAKE YOU HOME.
YOU WILL SLEEP AT OUR PLACE.

SLOVAKS ARE VERY HOSPITABLE.



WHAT DRUNK ARE YOU
BRINGING ME AGAIN?!

LET'S HIDE. THERE
ARE VOGONS !!!



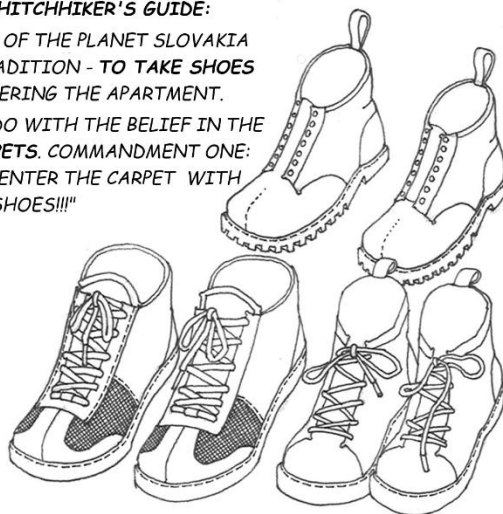
HOWEVER, SLOVAK WOMEN
ARE NOT HOSPITABLE.

TAKE SHOES OFF!!!



NOTE TO THE HITCHHIKER'S GUIDE:
THE INHABITANTS OF THE PLANET SLOVAKIA
HAVE A SPECIAL TRADITION - TO TAKE SHOES
OFF BEFORE ENTERING THE APARTMENT.

I THINK IT HAS TO DO WITH THE BELIEF IN THE
SANCTITY OF CARPETS. COMMANDMENT ONE:
"YOU WILL NEVER ENTER THE CARPET WITH
SHOES!!!"



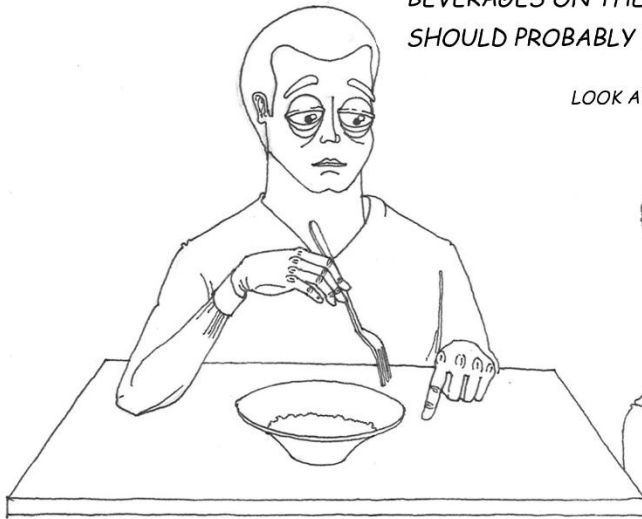
HERE! YOU SLEEP IN THE LIVING ROOM.

CORRECTION OF A PREVIOUS
CLAIM. IT SEEMS THAT SLOVAK
WOMEN
ARE ALSO HOSPITABLE.



NOTE TO THE HITCHHIKER'S GUIDE:

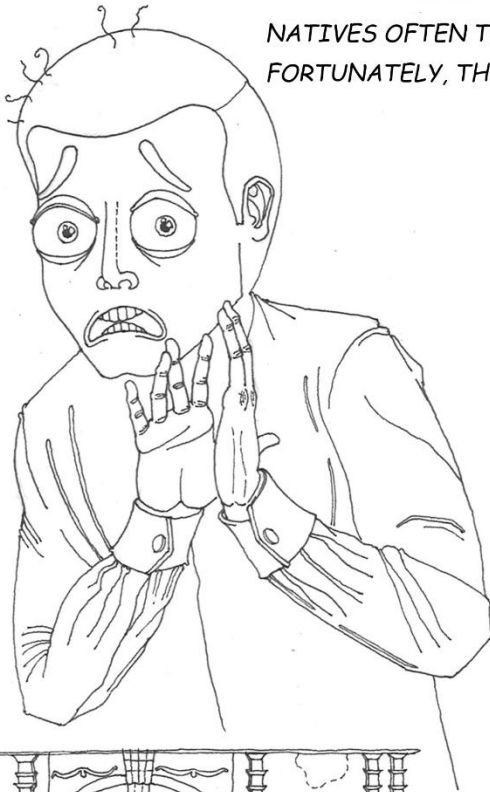
ALTHOUGH THEY HAVE DIFFERENT TYPES OF ALCOHOL BEVERAGES ON THE PLANET SLOVAKIA, THEY SHOULD PROBABLY NOT BE MIXED!



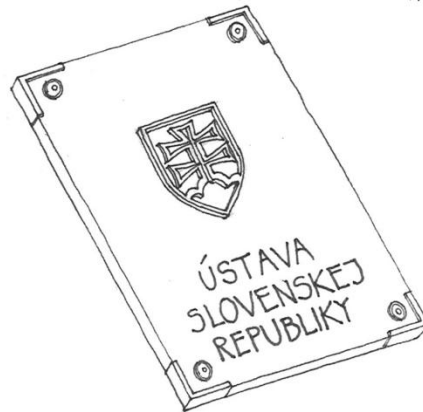
LOOK AT YOU. YOU LOOK LIKE A PIGS.
I'D RATHER KILL YOU BOTH !!!



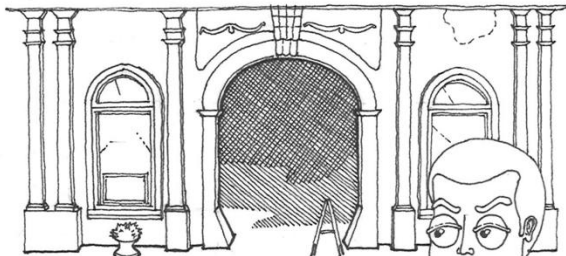
NATIVES OFTEN THREATEN TO KILL.
FORTUNATELY, THEY DON'T MEAN IT.



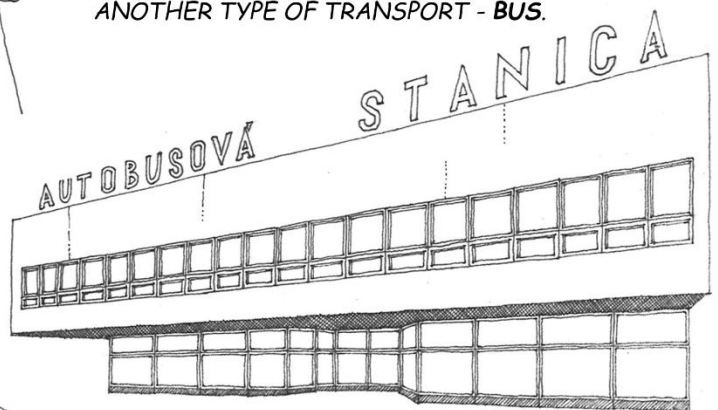
EVEN THEIR CONSTITUTION STATES THAT
THE DEATH PENALTY IS **NOT ALLOWED** IN
THE COUNTRY. IT WAS
ABOLISHED IN 1991.



I CONTINUE MY RESEARCH IN THE **MIDDLE**
PART OF THE PLANET AND I WILL USE
ANOTHER TYPE OF TRANSPORT - **BUS**.



KOŠICE, THE CAPITAL OF
EASTERN SLOVAKIA, IS REALLY
BEAUTIFUL. IT'S A PITY THAT
I WILL REMEMBER MAINLY
HEADACHES AND STOMACH
PAINS.



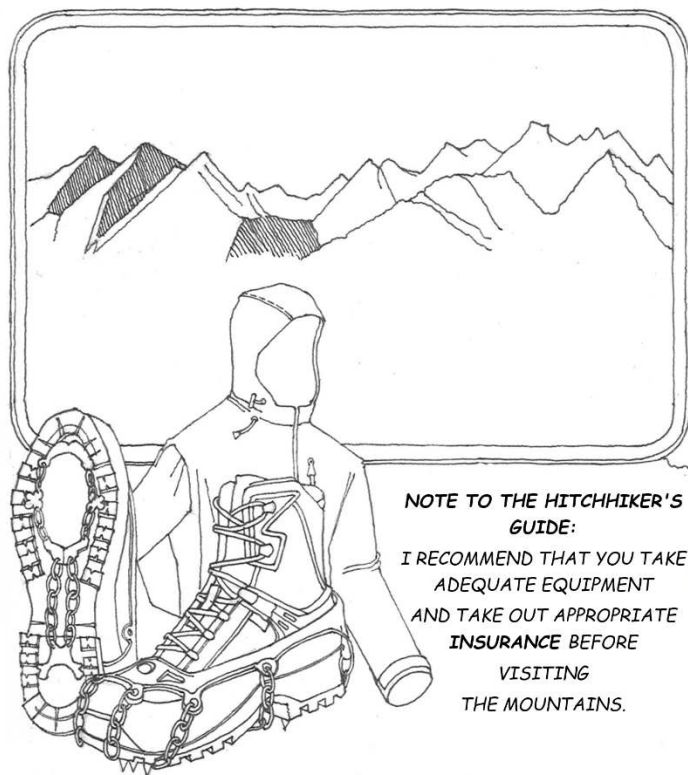


IT SEEMS THAT TRANSPORT IN SLOVAKIA IS A BIT OF A **PROBLEM**. OF COURSE, THE CONSTITUTION GUARANTEES ITS INHABITANTS **FREEDOM OF MOVEMENT**, BUT IT IS PROBABLY NOT WRITTEN ABOUT MOVEMENT IN A CROWDED BUS.

FORTUNATELY, THE VIEW FROM THE BUS WINDOW IS **AMAZING**.

ALTHOUGH THERE ARE SEVERAL MOUNTAINS ON THE PLANET SLOVAKIA, THE **HIGH TATRAS** ARE THE **HIGHE**.

THE TATRAS ARE VERY POPULAR WITH VISITORS FROM THE NEARBY PLANET **BOHEMIA**, WHO SOMETIMES USE NON-TRADITIONAL CLOTHES AND SHOES FOR HIKES.

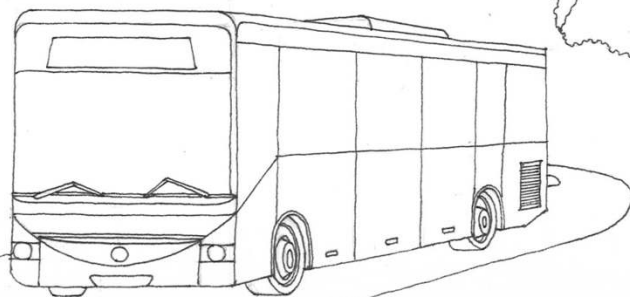


NOTE TO THE HITCHHIKER'S GUIDE:

I RECOMMEND THAT YOU TAKE ADEQUATE EQUIPMENT AND TAKE OUT APPROPRIATE **INSURANCE** BEFORE VISITING THE MOUNTAINS.



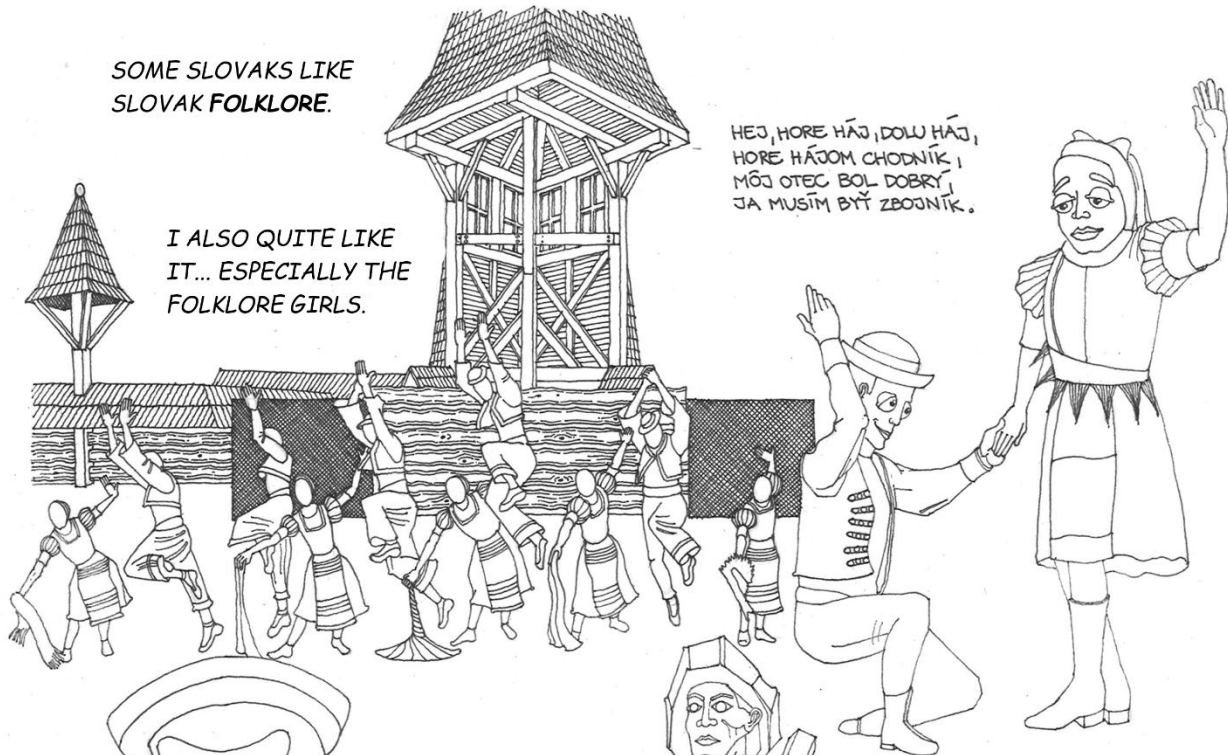
VÝCHODNÁ



SOME SLOVAKS LIKE
SLOVAK FOLKLORE.

I ALSO QUITE LIKE
IT... ESPECIALLY THE
FOLKLORE GIRLS.

HEJ, HORE HÁJ, DOLU HÁJ,
HORE HÁJOM CHODNÍK I
MŮJ OTEC BOL DOBRÝ,
JA MUSÍM BYŤ ZBOJNÍK.



GIVE GOD YOUR SOUL AND
GIVE ME DUCATS !!!
I'M A OUTLAW!

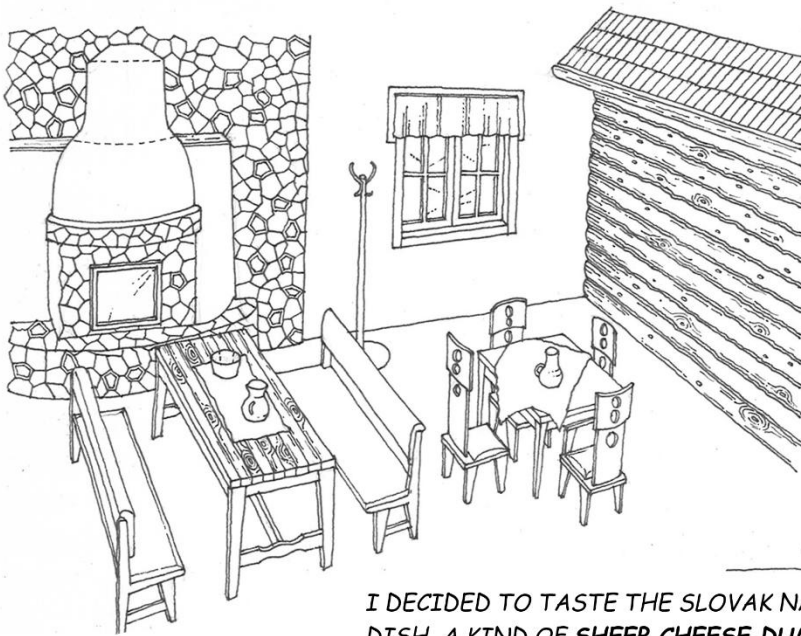
ONE OF THE SLOVAK NATIONAL
HEROES IS THE BANDIT
JÁNOŠÍK, WHO, ACCORDING TO
LEGEND, TOOK FROM THE RICH
AND GAVE TO THE POOR.



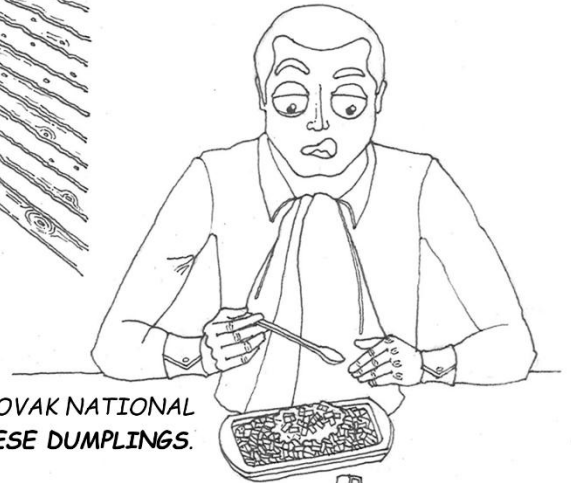
ON THE OTHER HAND, IT IS NOT ALLOWED TO STEAL! THE LOCAL
LAWS ALSO SEVERELY PUNISH THEFT. DO YOU AGREE,
DEAR POLICE OFFICERS?

NOTE TO THE HITCHHIKER'S GUIDE:
THE MOTTO OF THE LOCAL POLICE IS
"HELP AND PROTECT!" THEY WILL
CERTAINLY HELP TRACKERS FROM
OTHER GALAXIES AND PROTECT
THEM FROM THE VOGONS.



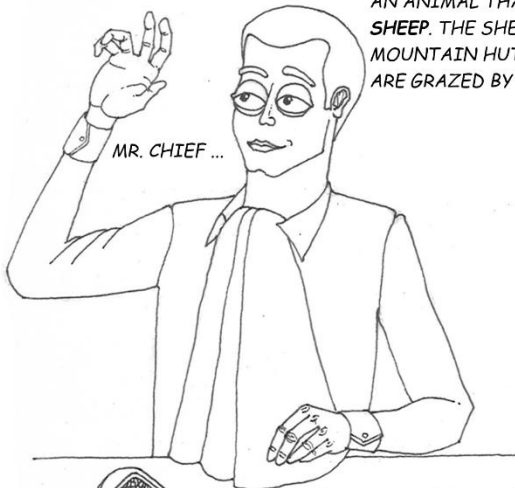


I WONDER WHAT IT IS ?!



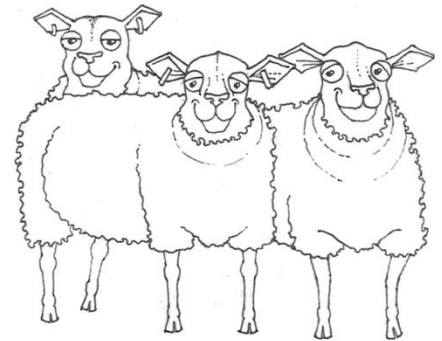
I DECIDED TO TASTE THE SLOVAK NATIONAL DISH, A KIND OF SHEEP CHEESE DUMPLINGS.

I THEREFORE EXERCISED MY RIGHT TO FREEDOM OF EXPRESSION AND THE RIGHT TO INFORMATION.

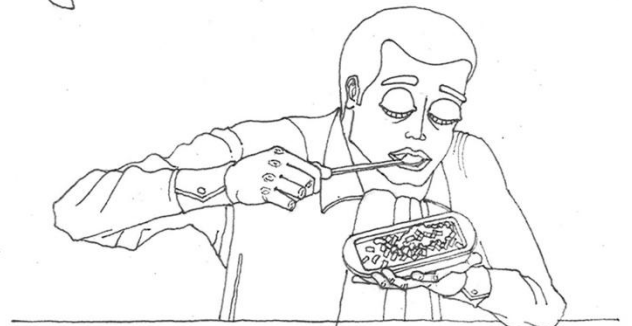


MR. CHIEF ...

BRYNDZA IS SAID TO BE MADE FROM AN ANIMAL THAT THE NATIVES CALL SHEEP. THE SHEEP ARE KEPT ON A MOUNTAIN HUT AND THERE THEY ARE GRAZED BY A SHEPHERD.



AT FIRST I THOUGHT THE SHEEP WOULD BE GROUND, BUT IT TURNED OUT THAT BRYNDZA IS ACTUALLY JUST A TYPE OF CHEESE.

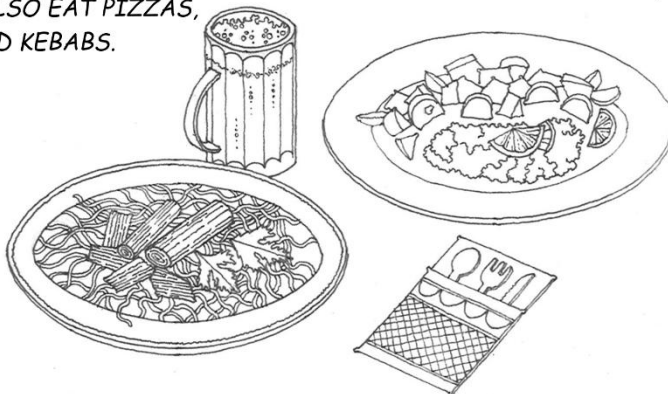


NOTE TO THE HITCHHIKER'S GUIDE:
TASTE THE DUMPLINGS CLEARLY, ALTHOUGH THEIR TASTE MAY SEEM A LITTLE STRANGE AT FIRST.



THE CLASSIC DISHES OF SLOVAKS INCLUDED BREAD, MILK, CABBAGE, POTATOES, LEGUMES, MASH AND DURING THE HOLIDAYS ALSO MEAT. AT PRESENT, THE INHABITANTS OF SLOVAKIA ALSO EAT PIZZAS, BURGERS AND KEBABS.

THE MAIN MEAL OF THE DAY IS A COOKED LUNCH, WHICH USUALLY CONSISTS OF SOUP AND A SECOND MEAL (SUCH AS A STEAK AND POTATOES).



WHEN EATING, EVERYONE WISH:
GUESTS: BON APPETITE!

NOTE TO THE HITCHHIKER'S GUIDE: WARNING!
SLOVAKS HAVE A STRANGE HABIT OF VISITING.

DOBRŮ CHŮŤ?

DOBRŮ CHŮŤ?

DOBRŮ CHŮŤ?

ARE YOU HUNGRY?

OF COURSE. I EAT EVERYTHING
YOU GIVE ME !!!



WRONG !!!

A DECENT GUEST INITIALLY SHYLY REFUSES THE
OFFERED ONE SO AS NOT TO LOOK LIKE A GLUTTON.

STILL NOT TO BE HUNGRY.

ARE YOU HUNGRY?

NO, THANKS. I'VE ALREADY EATEN.

HOWEVER, THE COMPULSION OF THE HOSTS
DOES NOT CEASE EVEN AFTER THE GUEST
HAS EATEN TO THE BREAKING POINT.

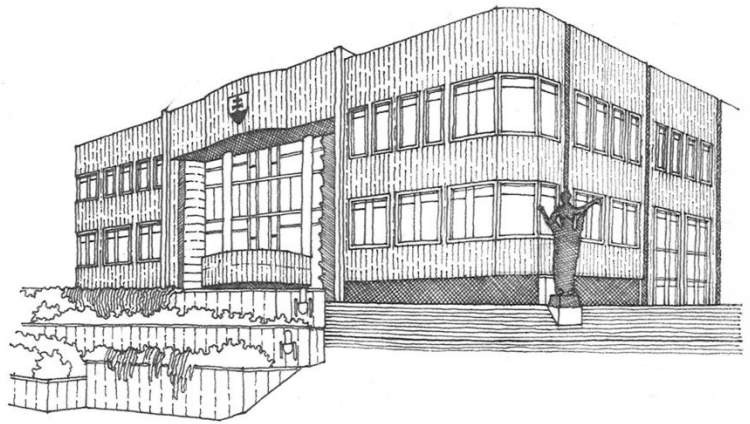
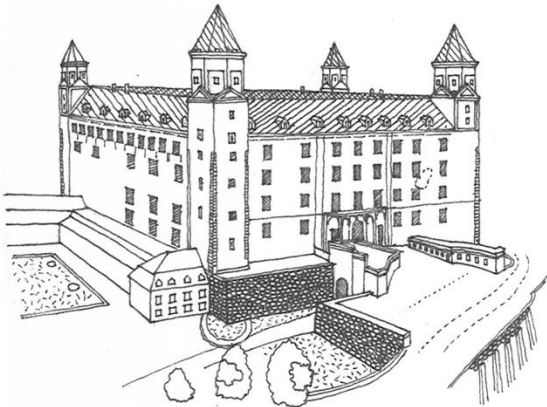
BUT, AT LEAST
A LITTLE.



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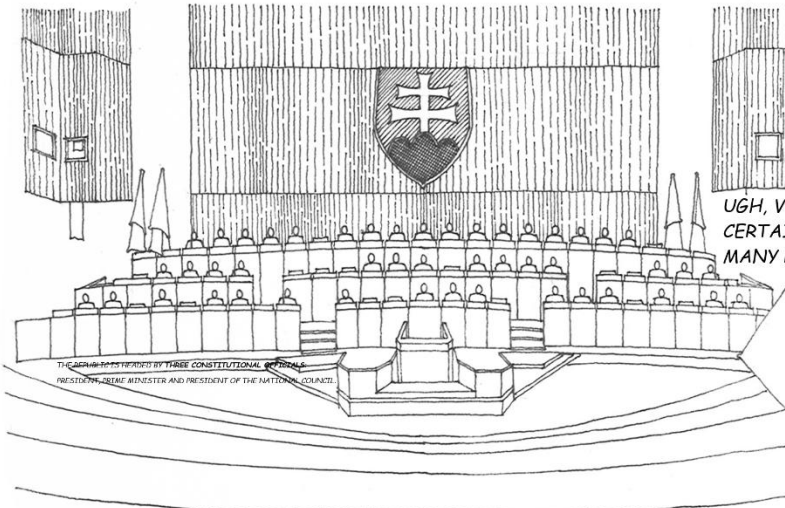
AS I MENTIONED IN THE GUIDE, THE CAPITAL OF THE PLANET IS BRATISLAVA, WHICH LIES IN THE WESTERN PART OF SLOVAKIA.

THE DOMINANT FEATURE OF THE TOWN IS THE CASTLE, UNDER WHICH STANDS THE BUILDING OF THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE SLOVAK REPUBLIC.



THE NATIONAL COUNCIL IS THE **ONLY** CONSTITUTIONAL AND LEGISLATIVE AUTHORITY OF THE REPUBLIC AND ELECTIONS TO IT ARE HELD EVERY **FOUR** YEARS.

AT PRESENT, THERE ARE ALMOST **70** POLITICAL PARTIES IN SLOVAKIA THAT ARE TRYING TO GET INTO THE NATIONAL COUNCIL.



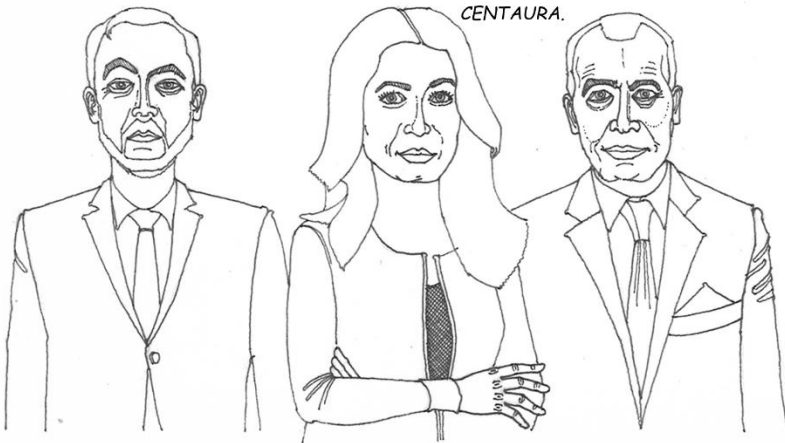
UGH, VOGONS WOULD CERTAINLY BE HAPPY WITH SO MANY POLITICAL PARTIES.



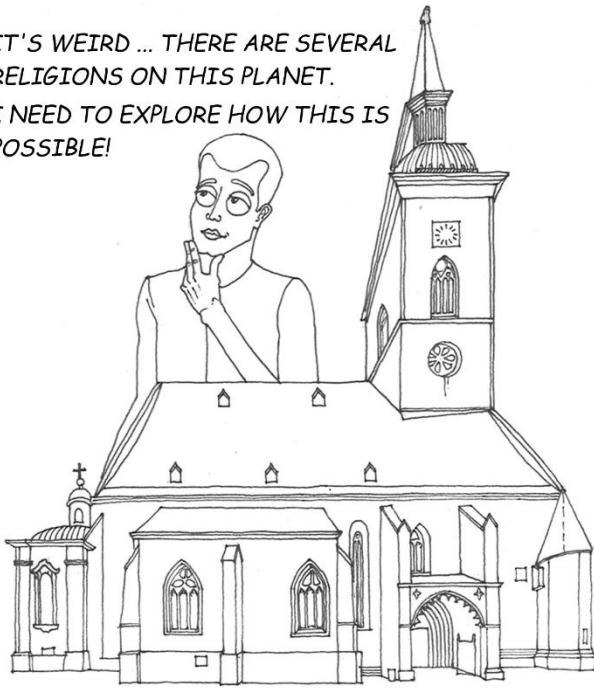
THE REPUBLIC IS HEADED BY **THREE CONSTITUTIONAL OFFICIALS**:
PRESIDENT, PRIME MINISTER AND
PRESIDENT OF THE NATIONAL COUNCIL.

NOTE TO THE HITCHHIKER'S GUIDE:
ALTHOUGH THE SLOVAK CONSTITUTION HAS NINE HEADS, DO NOT CONFUSE IT WITH THE NINE-HEADED DRAGON FROM PROXIMA CENTAURA.

THE HIGHEST LEGAL REGULATION IN SLOVAKIA IS THE CONSTITUTION OF THE SLOVAK REPUBLIC, WHICH WAS ADOPTED IN 1992.



IT'S WEIRD ... THERE ARE SEVERAL
RELIGIONS ON THIS PLANET.
I NEED TO EXPLORE HOW THIS IS
POSSIBLE!



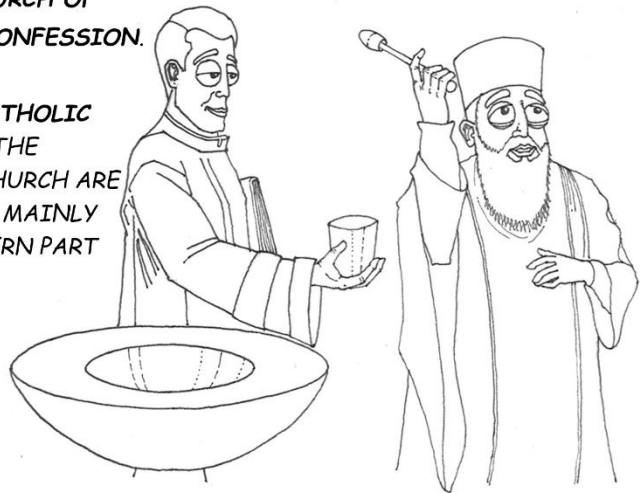
THE LARGEST CHURCH IN SLOVAKIA
IS ROMAN CATHOLIC.



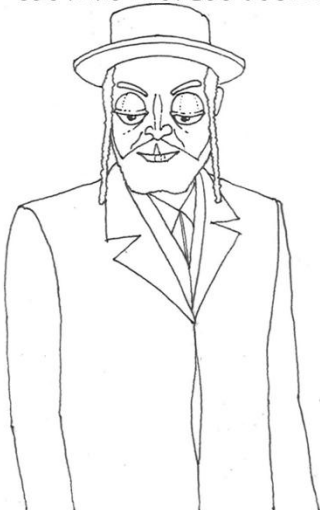
RIGHT BEHIND THEM IS THE
EVANGELICAL CHURCH OF
THE AUGSBURG CONFESSION.



THE GREEK CATHOLIC
CHURCH AND THE
ORTHODOX CHURCH ARE
REPRESENTED MAINLY
IN THE EASTERN PART
OF SLOVAKIA.



SEVERAL THOUSAND
SLOVAKS PROFESS JUDAISM.



NOTE TO THE HITCHHIKER'S GUIDE:
I SEEM TO HAVE FIGURED OUT WHAT RELIGIOUS TOLERANCE IS



ART IS ALSO DOING RELATIVELY WELL ON
THE PLANET SLOVAKIA.

THERE ARE MANY ARTISTS
KNOWN THROUGHOUT THE
GALAXY AND BEYOND.



MINORITIES LIVING IN SLOVAKIA
ALSO GET A PLACE IN ART.

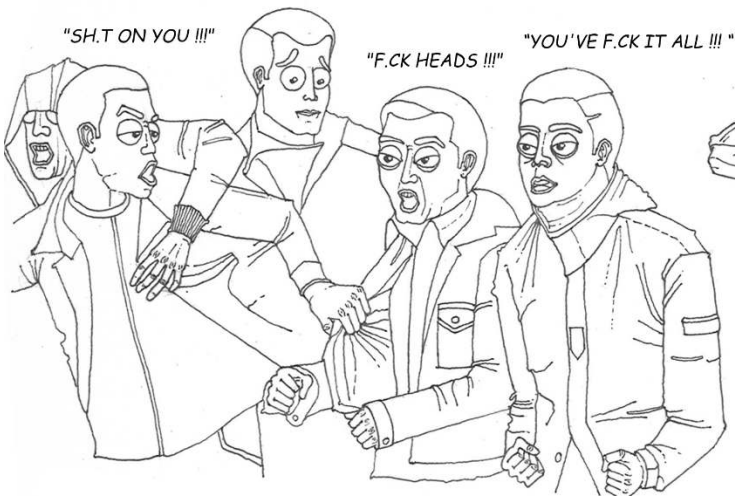
IT MIGHT BE INTERESTING TO SUPPORT
THE VOGON MINORITY AS WELL.

I ERECT YOU WITH ISOBARS OF THE ROLE
FROM YOUR SALAD, I'M SHORTENING US
SPATULA DISRUPTION IN YOU BLOWS OFF ... *

* NOTE. VOGON POETRY IS THE THIRD WORST
POETRY IN THE GALAXY AND IS USED TO
TORTURE THE ENEMY.

SLOVAKS, AS WELL AS ART, LOVE SPORTS
AND ALWAYS ENCOURAGE ATHLETES.

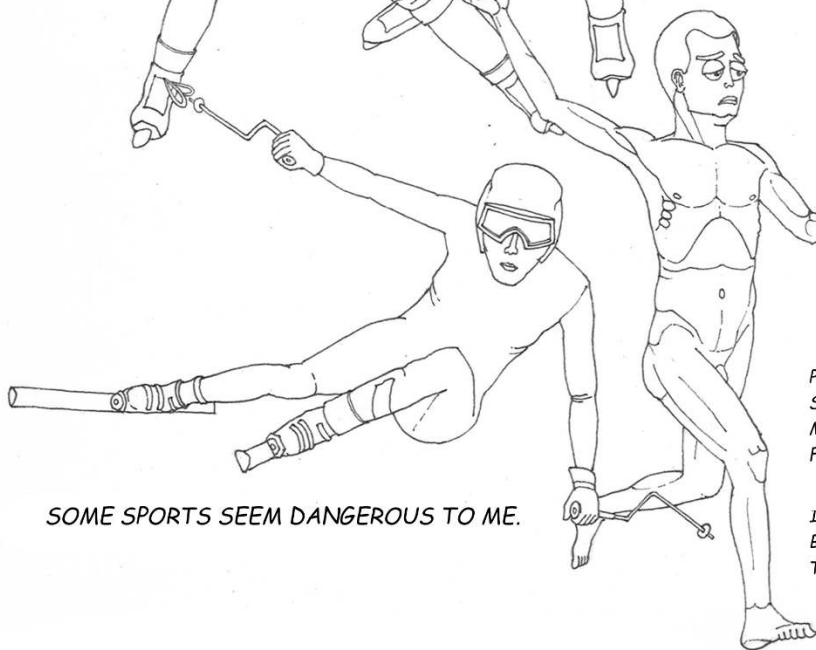
POPULAR SPORTS INCLUDE A GAME IN
WHICH SEVERAL ADULT MEN CHASE A
BALL ACROSS A MEADOW.



IN WINTER, PLAYERS PUT SHARP OBJECTS ON THEIR SHOES AND TRY
HIT A BLACK RUBBER THING ON THE ICE WITH CURVED CLUBS.



OTHER SPORTS MAY BE
INCOMPREHENSIBLE TO SOME
ALIENS, BUT SLOVAKS ARE
QUITE GOOD AT THEM.

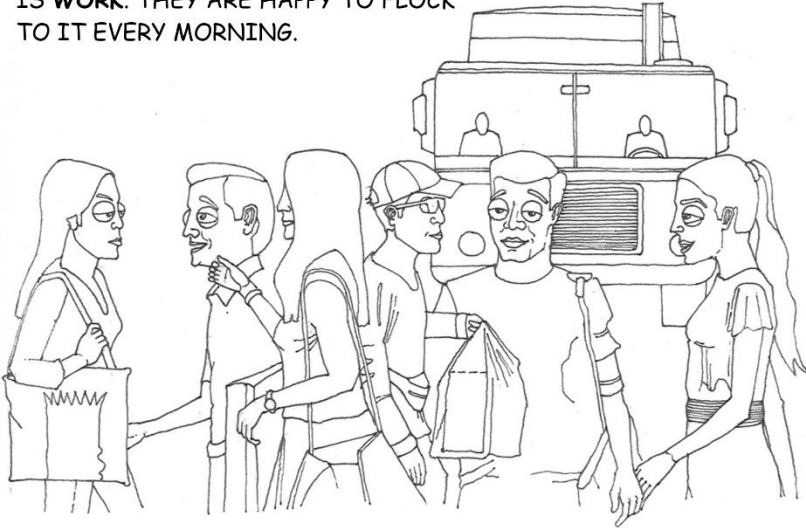


SOME SPORTS SEEM DANGEROUS TO ME.

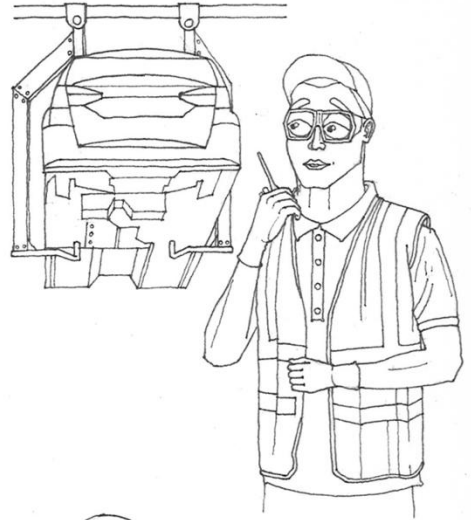
PROBABLY THE OLDEST SPORTING EVENT IN
SLOVAKIA IS THE INTERNATIONAL PEACE
MARATHON, WHICH TOOK PLACE IN KOŠICE
FOR THE FIRST TIME IN 1924.

I GUESS I SHOULD HAVE PUT ON A JERSEY.
BUT THE GREEK WHO ORIGINALLY RAN FROM
THE MARATHON TO ATHENS WAS ALSO NAKED.

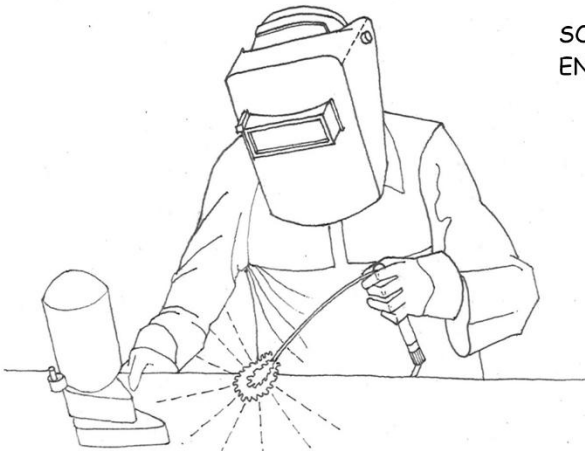
ANOTHER FUN THAT SLOVAKS ENJOY IS **WORK**. THEY ARE HAPPY TO FLOCK TO IT EVERY MORNING.



MANY PEOPLE WORK IN THE **AUTOMOTIVE INDUSTRY**.



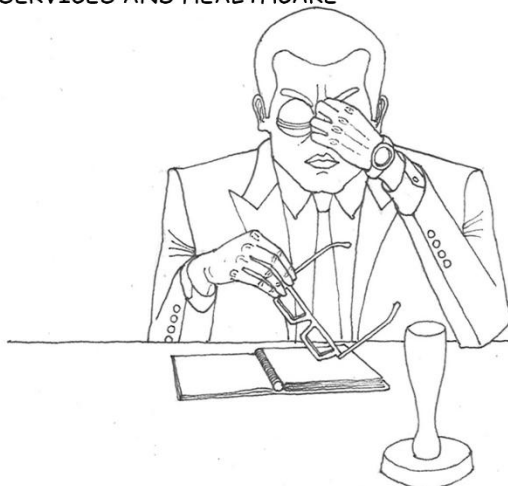
OTHERS ARE EMPLOYED IN **HEAVY INDUSTRY**.



SOME SLOVAKS ARE ENGAGED IN **AGRICULTURE**.

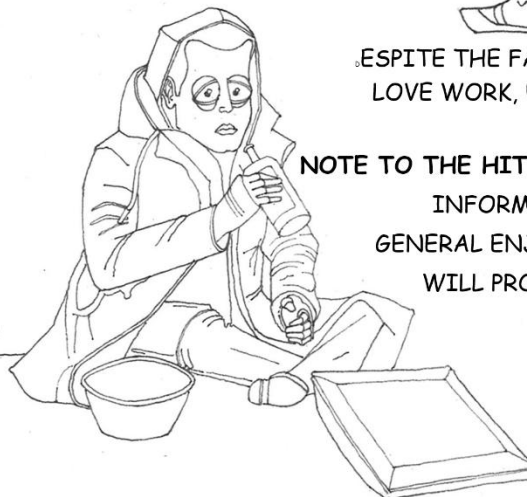


THEY ALSO WORK WITH A **SMILE** ON THEIR LIPS IN STATE ADMINISTRATION, EDUCATION, TRANSPORT, SERVICES AND HEALTHCARE

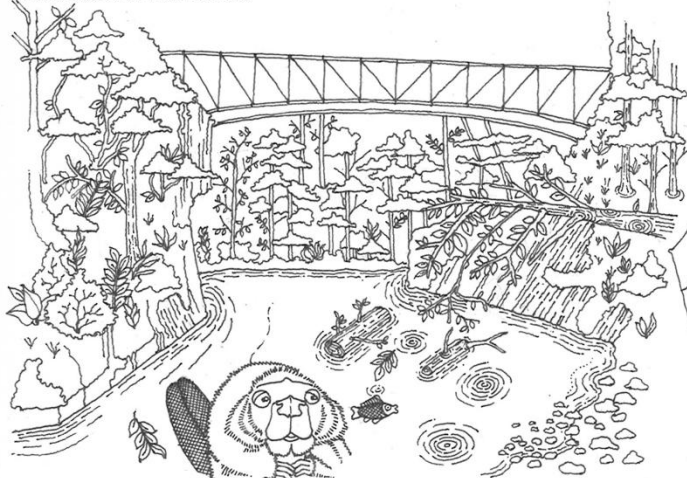


ESPIE THE FACT THAT SLOVAKS LOVE WORK, UNEMPLOYMENT IS STILL AROUND 7%.

NOTE TO THE HITCHHIKER'S GUIDE: INFORMATION ABOUT THE GENERAL ENJOYMENT OF WORK WILL PROBABLY NEED TO BE RECONSIDERED.

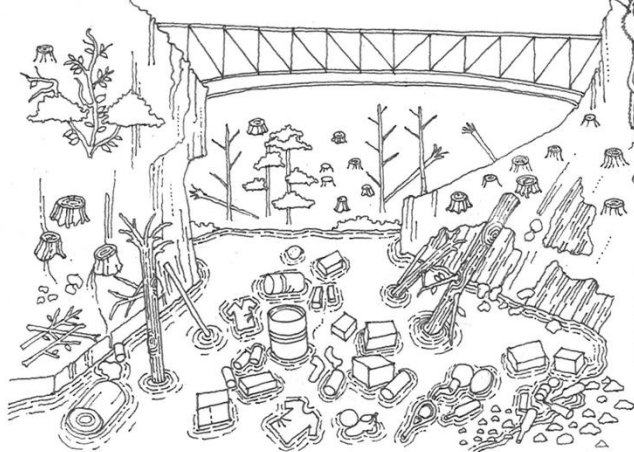


DESPITE THE FACT THAT THE PLANET SLOVAKIA IS RICH IN THE BEAUTIES OF NATURE AND I GAVE IT THREE STARS IN THE GUIDE AS A GREEN PLANET, NEVERTHELESS IT DOES NOT AVOID VARIOUS ECOLOGICAL PROBLEMS.



IN ADDITION TO OFFICIAL LANDFILLS, THOUSANDS OF BLACK, ILLEG, LANDFILLS ARE ALSO HARMFUL TO SLOVAKIA.

SUCH LANDFILLS CONTRIBUTE TO THE AGGRAVATION OF THE GREENHOUSE EFFECT, CONTAMINATE WATER AND MAY EVEN CONTRIBUTE TO FLOODS.



THE RUTHLESS FELLING OF FORESTS DOES NOT HELP SLOVAK NATURE EITHER.

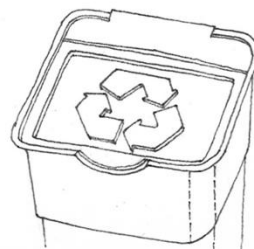


AT PRESENT, THE COUNTRY PRODUCES 431 KILOGRAMS OF MUNICIPAL WASTE PER CAPITA, AND UP TO 60% OF THIS ENDS UP IN LANDFILLS.



POOR AIR QUALITY, IN TURN, IS A SIGN OF SOME COAL-BURNING COMPANIES.

NOTE TO THE HITCHHIKER'S GUIDE: AN ALIEN CAN ALSO HELP SLOVAKIA BY SORTING WASTE !!!



SLOVAKS LIKE TO HAVE FUN
AND ARE VERY SOCIABLE.

ON FESTIVE OCCASIONS, SUCH AS A
WEDDING, * THE WHOLE CLOSE AND
DISTANT FAMILY AND FRIENDS MEET.

LONG LIVE THE NEWLYWEDS !!!

NOTE TO THE HITCHHIKER'S GUIDE:

* A **WEDDING** OR MARRIAGE IS A CEREMONY BY WHICH A MAN AND A
WOMAN ENTER INTO MARRIAGE. THERE ARE NO WEDDINGS OR REGIST
SAME-SEX PARTNERSHIPS ON SLOVAKIA YET.

SLOVAKS LIKE TO VISIT.

WELCOME, YOU HAVEN'T BEEN WITH US
IN A LONG TIME

NOTE TO THE HITCHHIKER'S
GUIDE: WHEN ENTERING THE
APARTMENT, DON'T FORGET TO
GET YOUR SHOES OFF (I ALREADY
WROTE ABOUT IT IN THE GUIDE)
AND BRING SOME SMALL GIFT TO
THE HOSTS - A BOTTLE OF WINE,
FLOWERS OR SWEETS ...

THE INHABITANTS OF SLOVAKIA ALSO CELEBRATE A
SPECIAL HOLIDAY "NAME DAY". EVERY DAY IN THE
CALENDAR A NAME IS WRITTEN AND ITS BEARER CAN
CELEBRATE ON THAT DAY.

JUN						
PON	UTO	STR	ŠTV	FIA	SOB	NED
	1. ZANETA	2. XENIA	3. KAROLAJA	4. JENKA	5. LAURA	6. NORBERT
7. ROBERT	8. MEDARD	9. SPASIANA	10. GRETA	11. DOBROSLAVA	12. ZLATKO	13. ANTON
14. VASIL	15. VIT	16. BLANCA	17. ADOLF	18. VRATISLAV	19. ALFRED	20. VALERIA
21. ALDOZ	22. PAULINA	23. SIOBIA	24. JAN	25. OLIVIA	26. ADELA	27. LADISLAV
28. BEATA	29. PETER	30. PAUL	31. MELANIA			

THESE NATIVES
ARE SIMPLY AMAZING !!! THEY
ALWAYS FIND A REASON TO CELEBRATE.

I WAS ALSO INTERESTED IN OTHER HOLIDAYS IN SLOVAKIA, WHICH THEY **CELEBRATE**. FOR EXAMPLE, REPUBLIC DAY, LABOR DAY, FREEDOM AND DEMOCRACY DAY, PAYDAY ...

I REALLY LIKE **EASTER**. ALTHOUGH AT FIRST GLANCE THEY LOOK QUITE SCARY.



BECAUSE THEY LOOK A BIT LIKE DOMESTIC VIOLENCE.

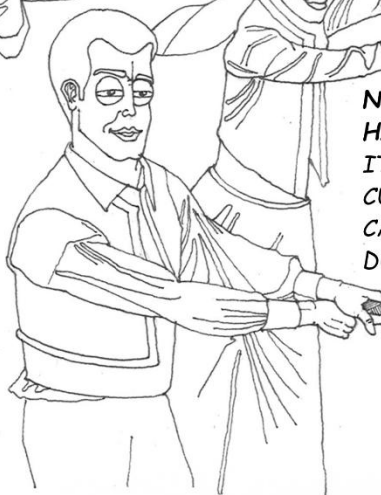


HOWEVER, PEOPLE AT THIS TIME ARE REMINDED OF THE CRUCIFIXION AND **SUBSEQUENT RESURRECTION OF JESUS CHRIST**. EASTER WHIPPING AND WATERING ON EASTER MONDAY SHOULD ENSURE STRENGTH AND HEALTH. THE BOYS GET AN EASTER EGG FOR IT - A PAINTED EGG.

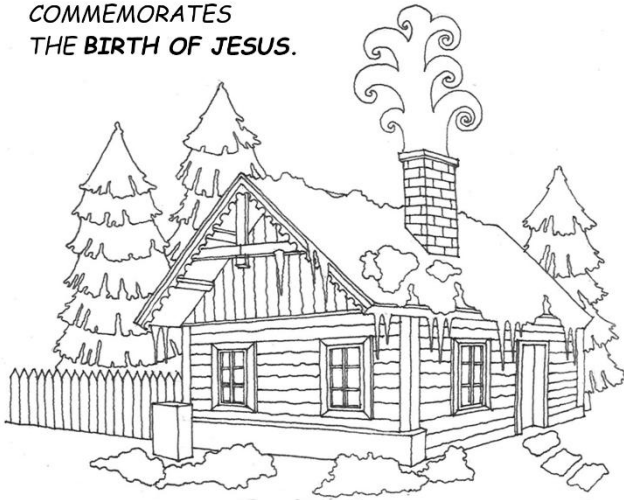


NOTE TO THE HITCHHIKER'S GUIDE: IT SEEMS THAT THE CUSTOMS OF EASTER CAN ONLY BE APPLIED DURING EASTER.

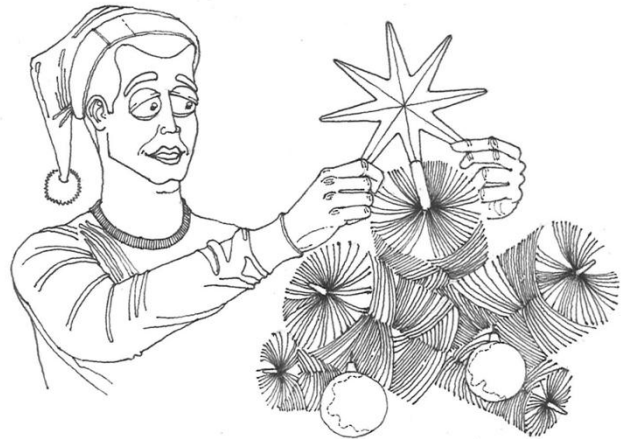
ŠIBÍ, RYBY, MASTNÉ RYBY,
KUS KOLAČA, OD KORBÁČA,
JA CHCEM IBA MALÍČKO,
MAĽOVANÉ VAJÍČKO.



THE MOST BEAUTIFUL HOLIDAY ON THE PLANET SLOVAKIA IS DEFINITELY **CHRISTMAS**, WHICH COMMEMORATES THE **BIRTH OF JESUS**.



PEOPLE DECORATE CHRISTMAS TREES IN THEIR APARTMENTS.



IN THE EARLY EVENING, THE WHOLE FAMILY MEETS AND THEY HAVE A **GALA DINNER** TOGETHER - MOST OFTEN CABBAGE, POTATO SALAD AND FRIED FISH.

EVENING ON DECEMBER 24 - ON CHRISTMAS EVE, SLOVAKS GIVE CHRISTMAS PRESENTS UNDER THE TREE.



IN SLOVAKIA, **JEŽIŠKO** WEARS PRESENTS TO CHILDREN AT CHRISTMAS.



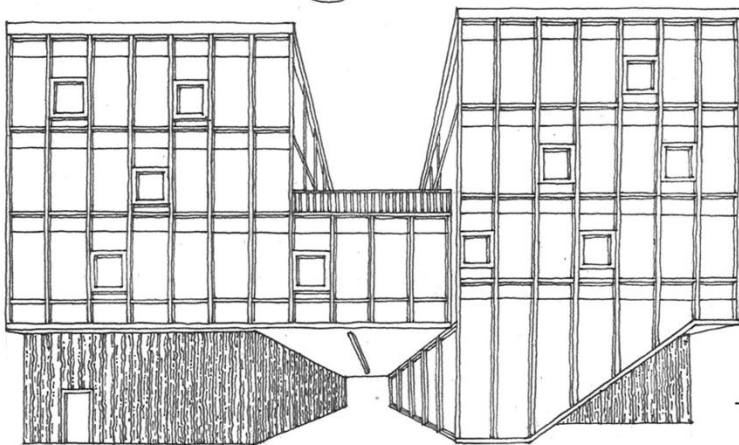
NOTE TO THE HITCHHIKER'S GUIDE:
I SHOULD FIND OUT HOW SANTA COULD BRING MY SOCKS UNDER THE TREE WHEN I WROTE HIM THAT I WANTED A MERCEDES.

THE YEAR HAS PASSED,
IT'S TIME TO GO HOME.



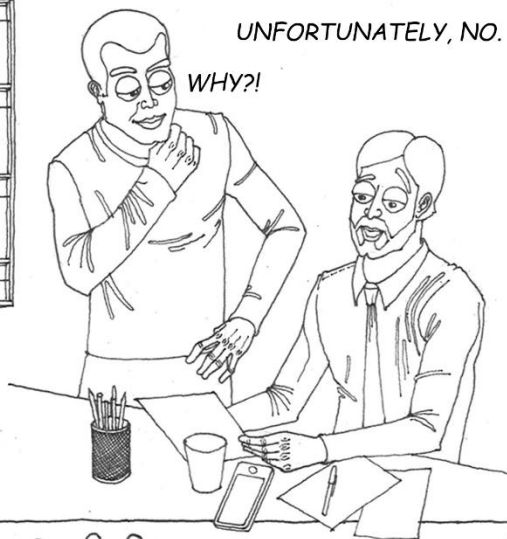
MR. FORD, I READ YOUR
SUPPLEMENT TO THE GUIDE
WITH GREAT INTEREST.

SO WILL YOU RELEASE IT?



UNFORTUNATELY, NO.

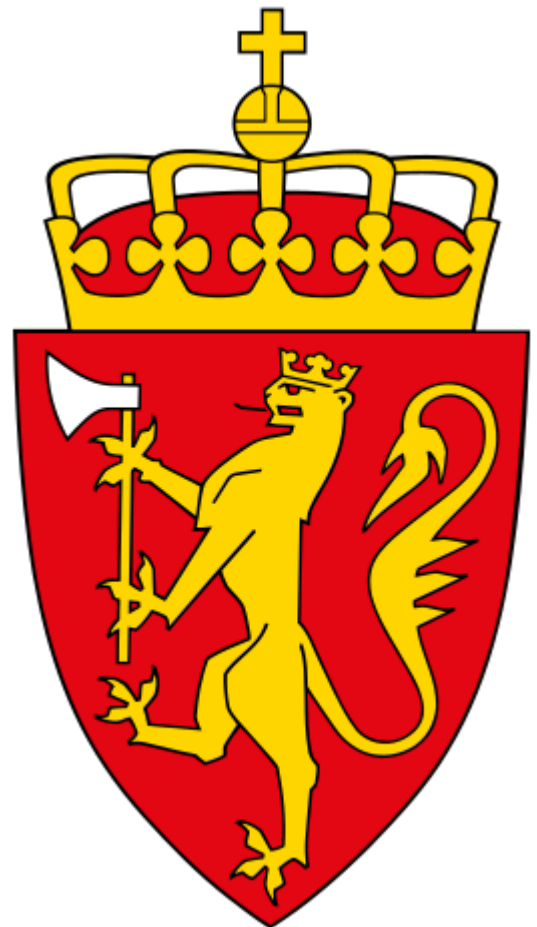
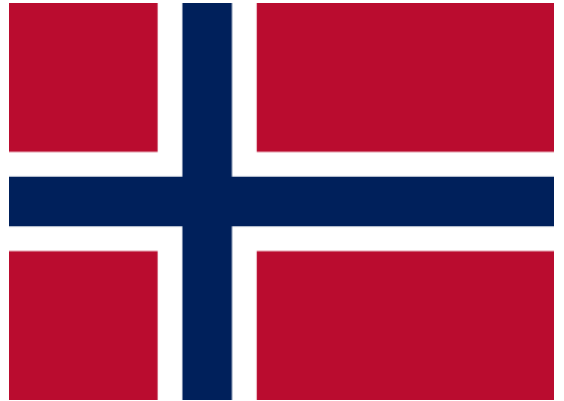
WHY?!



I REALLY LIKE YOUR PLANET SLOVAKIA,
BUT CAN YOU IMAGINE WHAT WOULD
HAPPEN TO IT IF VISITORS FROM ALL
OVER THE GALAXY SUDDENLY TOOK A
TRIP THERE?



Norway



Oslo

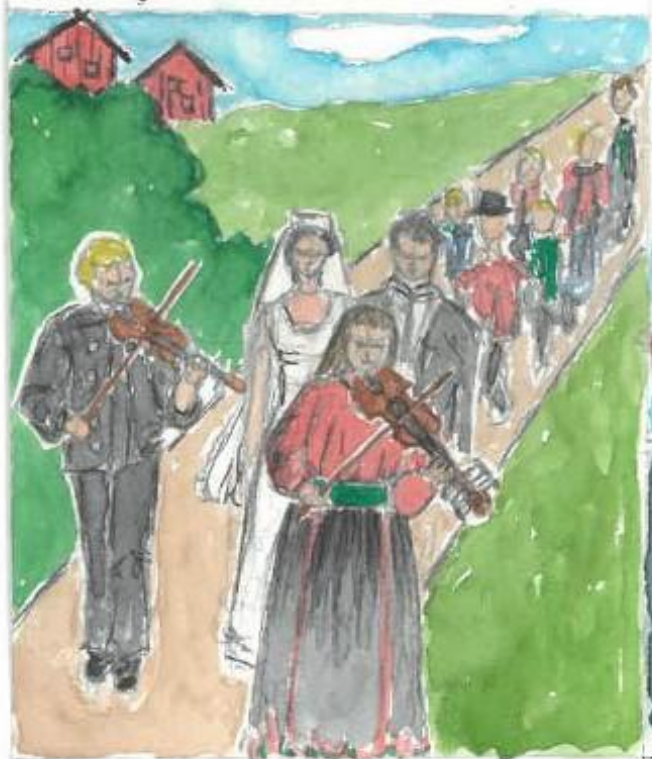
COMMON USES OF NORWEGIAN FOLK MUSIC



folk dance



lullabies, songs
ballads, cow calls



wedding marches



sea chanties + work songs

(SOME)
INSTRUMENTS USED IN NORWEGIAN FOLK
MUSIC

HARDANGER FIDDLE +
REGULAR FIDDLE



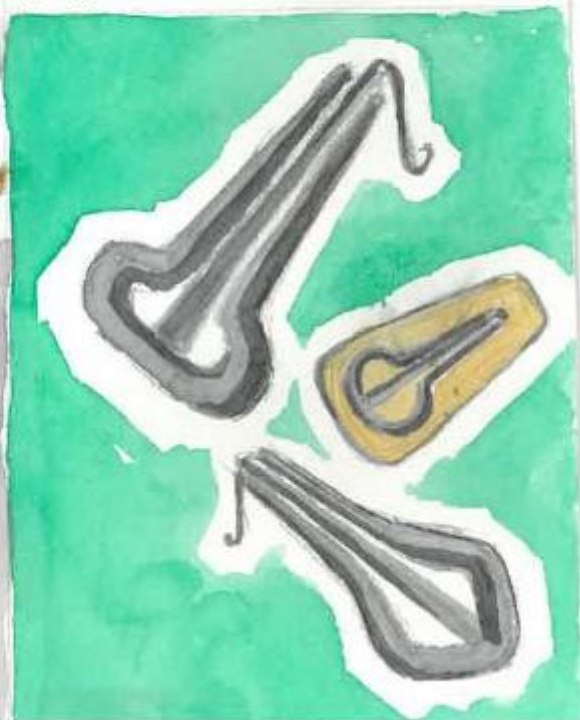
LANGELEIK



OLD INSTRUMENTS SUCH AS:
BUKKEHORN, SELJEFLOYTE, LUR



MUNNHARPE / JEW HARP



NORWEGIAN FOLK DANCE: BYGDE DANIS

TRADITIONAL COSTUME



IMPRESSIVE HALLING DANCE
FOR ATHLETIC SOLO DANCERS



MUSIC PLAYED SOLO FOR DANCE



DIFFERENT REGIONAL STYLES



NORWEGIAN FOLK DANCE : GAMMELDANS



Full Band playing for dance styles such as waltz, mazurka, polka, and reinlander





Most Norwegians Speak English very well and should not be believed if they say they are "bad at English"



FOR EXAMPLE:

"WHAT IS
THE
CLOCK?"

(What time
is it?)



However, it can sound strange when they translate Norwegian phrases directly into English...



LANGUAGE ISSUES :



DIALECTS

HVOR

KOR

KVAR

"WHERE"

4 common dialect words for "I"

JEG

EG

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EJ

1

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3

4

* Celebrating 17th of May *



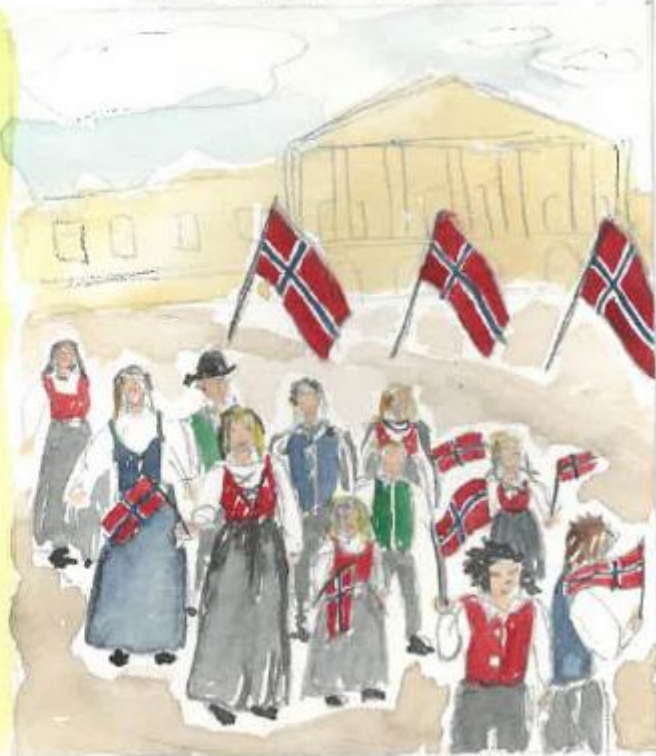
NORWEGIAN FLAGS



FANCY BREAKFAST



TRADITIONAL COSTUME



PARADES



Norwegians are Known for
preferring personal space on the bus



or not greeting each
other when passing



or that they are very closed
off when you meet them.



BUT in reality, they are the
most warm + welcoming people!

DIFFERENT LANDSCAPES



CREATE DIFFERENT TRADITIONS!





WE ARE ALL

NORWEGIANS, EVEN IF WE HAVE

DIFFERENT CULTURES AND

TRADITIONS



SAMI



NORWEGIAN
ANCESTRY



IMMIGRANTS
TO NORWAY



A FICTIONAL SET OF
LAWS" BASED ON ATTITUDES



PRESENT IN TRADITIONAL
CULTURE IN THE NORDIC
COUNTRIES.

MAINLY STATING THAT ONE
MUST NOT PUT THEMSELVES ABOVE
OTHERS IN ANY WAY



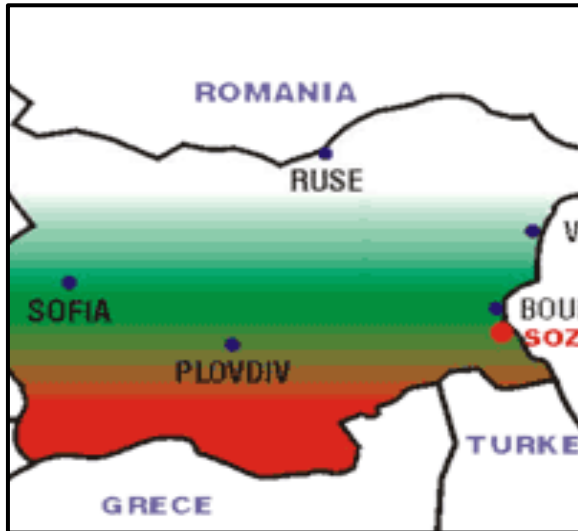
- ENCOURAGES CONFORMITY TO GROUP CULTURE OVER INDIVIDUALITY
- OFTEN REFERENCED AS A REASON FOR CERTAIN BEHAVIORS

BULGARIA



SOFIA

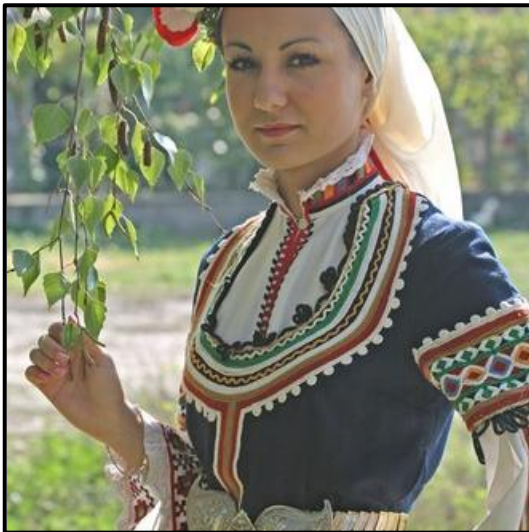
TOURIST ATTRACTIONS AND HISTORICAL LANDMARKS



Bulgarian traditional customs – Koleduvane & Surva



National Bulgarian costumes



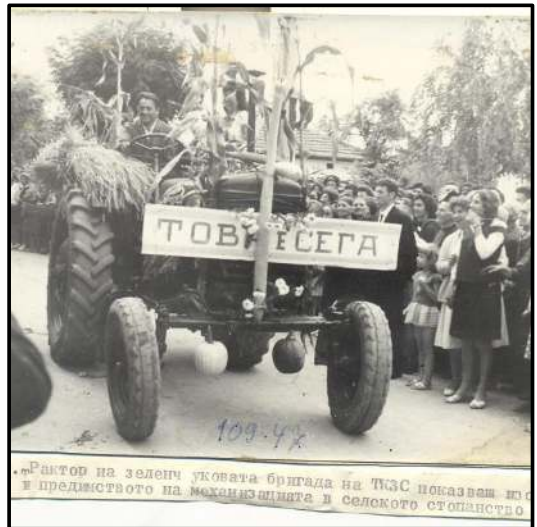
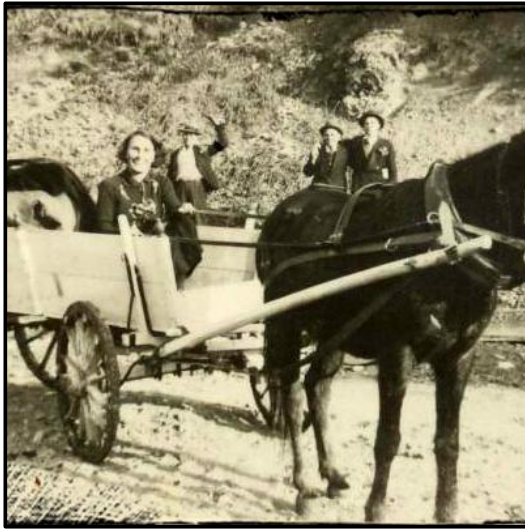
CELEBRATIONS IN BULGARIA



CELEBRATIONS in Bulgaria



Traditions in the past



Bulgaria - CRAFTS



ITALY



ROMA



ITALIAN CULTURE & TRADITIONS (NORTHERN ITALY) **The Venice Carnival**



The Carnival of Venice is world-famous for its elaborate masks



Approximately 3 million visitors come to Venice every year for the Carnival



The Bauta mask's beak-like chin is designed to enable the wearer to talk and drink



The Medico Della Peste, with its long beak, is one of the most bizarre of the Venetian masks

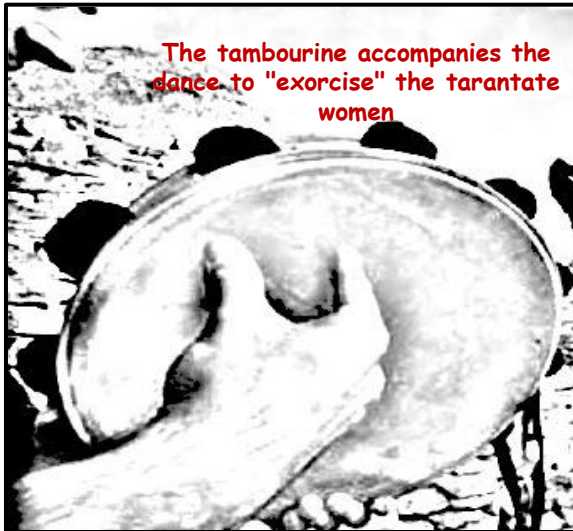


The Emperor of Austria, Francis II, banished the festival



Covering the face in public was Venetian response to class hierarchies

ITALIAN CULTURE & TRADITIONS (SOUTHERN ITALY) **The Pizzica & Tarantism**



The tambourine accompanies the dance to "exorcise" the tarantate women



The first written source of Pizzica dates back to April 20th 1797



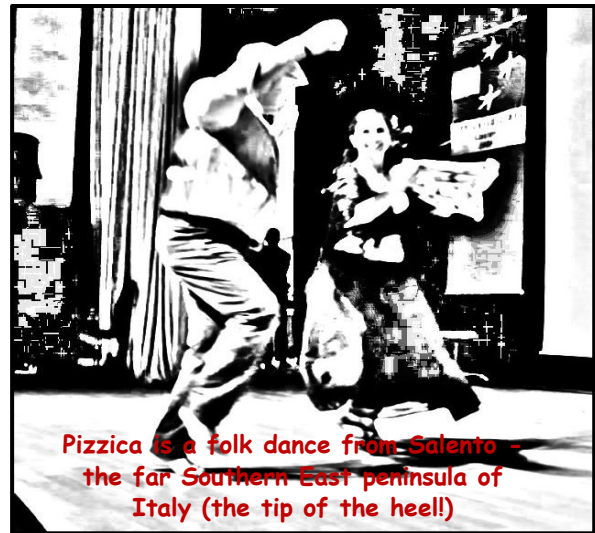
It was practiced also during therapeutic rituals to heal from the (real or presumed) bite of tarantula



Pizzica is the music accompaniment to the ethnoreligious rite of tarantism



Pizzica is also called "pizzica pizzica"



Pizzica is a folk dance from Salento - the far Southern East peninsula of Italy (the tip of the heel!)

ITALIAN CULTURE & TRADITIONS
(CENTRE of ITALY)

The Historic Florentine Football

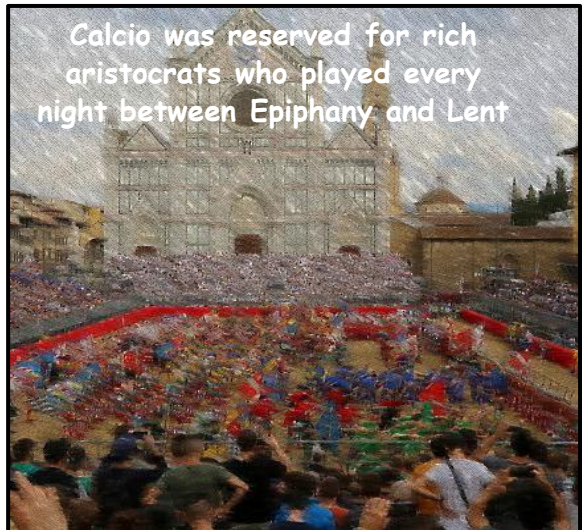
The tournament take place
among four historic districts



The first sources that speak of
Calcio Storico are late medieval



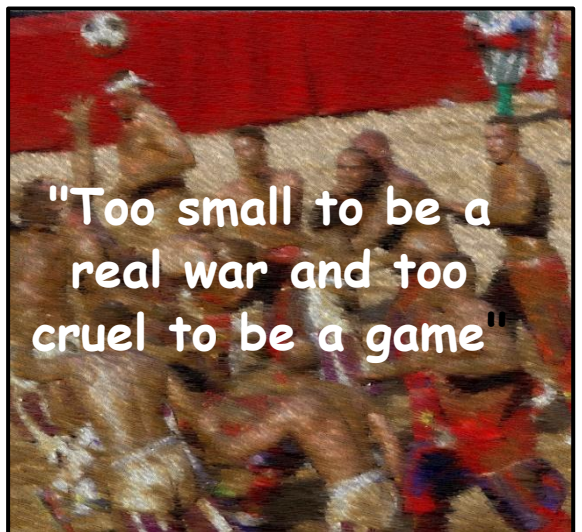
Calcio was reserved for rich
aristocrats who played every
night between Epiphany and Lent



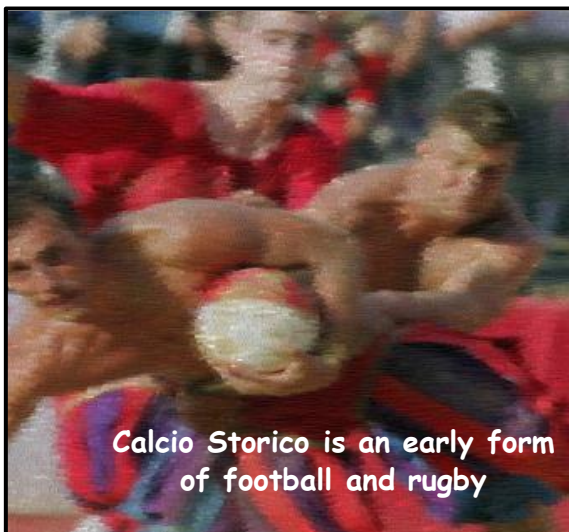
The sport is thought to have
started in the Piazza Santa
Croce



"Too small to be a
real war and too
cruel to be a game"



Calcio Storico is an early form
of football and rugby



SPAIN



MADRID



CULTURAL TRADITIONS IN SPAIN

FERIAS IN ANDALUSIA



IN THE SOUTH
OF SPAIN, IN
ANDALUSIA,
THERE IS A
PARTY CALLED
"FERIA" (FAIR)



TYPICAL
DRESSES IN
FERIA, NAMED
"TRAJE DE
FLAMENCA"



RELIGIOUS TRADITIONS IN SPAIN

DURING HOLY WEEK THERE ARE "PASOS" (FLOATS) THAT REPRESENT THE PASSION OF CHRIST



IT'S NOT KKK...
ITS NAMED
"NAZARENO"



EASTER IN SPAIN



GASTRONOMY IN SPAIN



SANGRIA

SPANISH
GASTRONOMY IS
VARIED, AND IT IS
KNOWN AS "DIETA
MEDITERRANEA"
(MEDITERRANEAN
DIET)



JAMÓN

TIPICAL SPANISH FOOD



ACEITE DE OLIVA



PAELLA



TORTILLA DE PATATAS

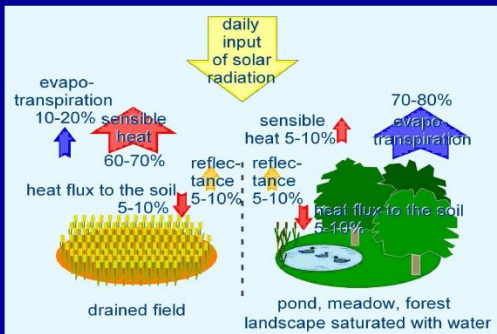


CHURROS

ENVIRONMENT

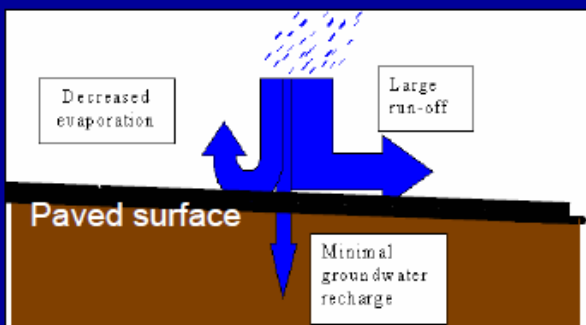
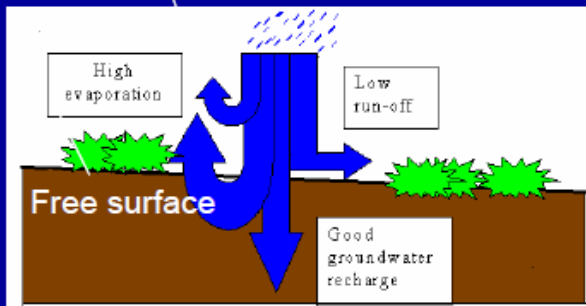
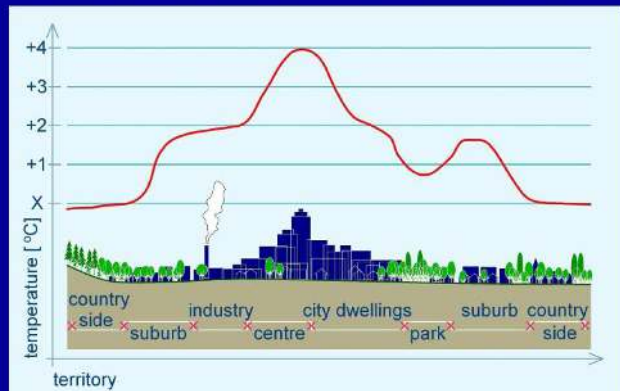
Save the forest and the water!

DISTRIBUTION OF SOLAR ENERGY

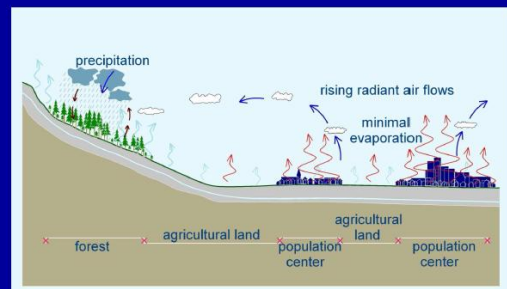


Dry land: Most solar energy is changed into *sensible heat*,
Wet land: Most solar energy is consumed on vapor water from landscape

HEAT ISLANDS OVER DRY and HOT LANDSCAPE

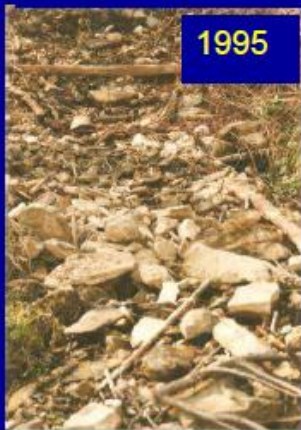


IMPACTS ON WEATHER / CLIMATE



Frequency of droughts and floods increasing

BlueAlternative - <https://www.ludiaavoda.sk/>



<http://www.waterparadigm.org/>



November, 28th 2005



June, 6th 2006



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**Restoration of water sources in urban zone Košice
People and Water, September 2006**

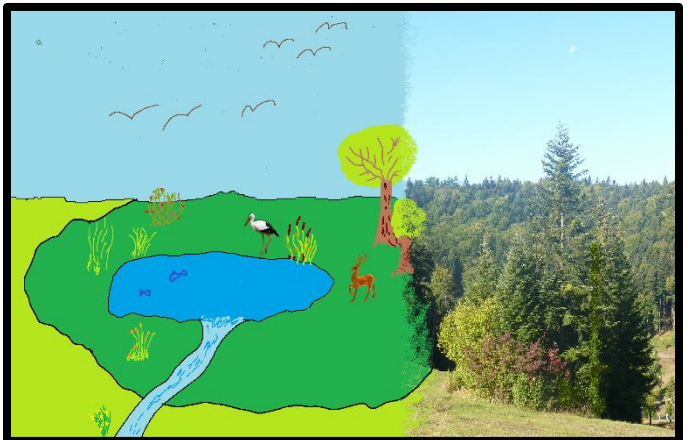
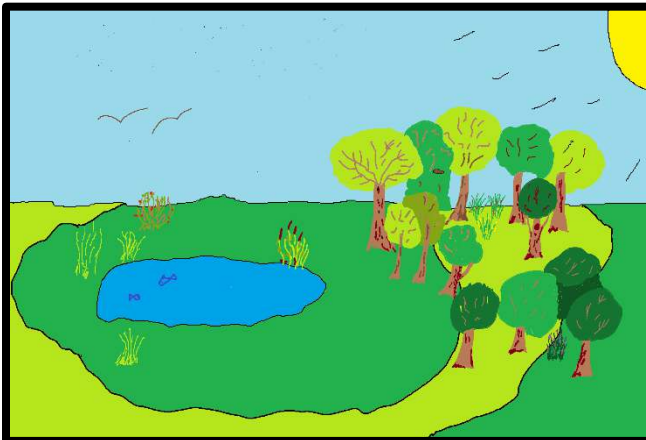
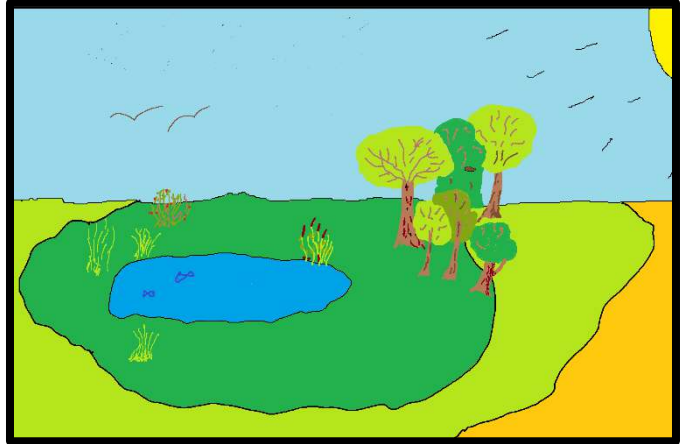
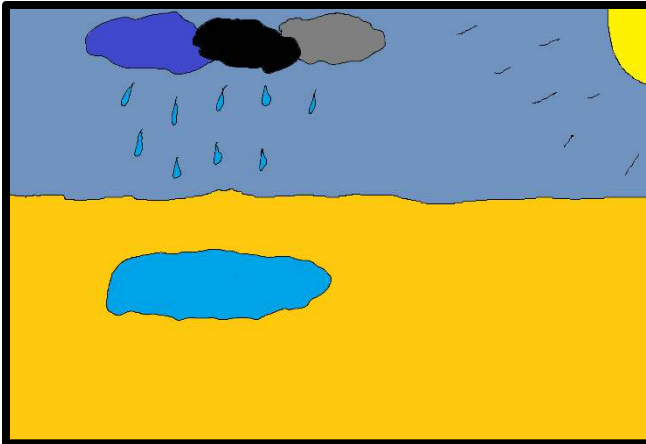
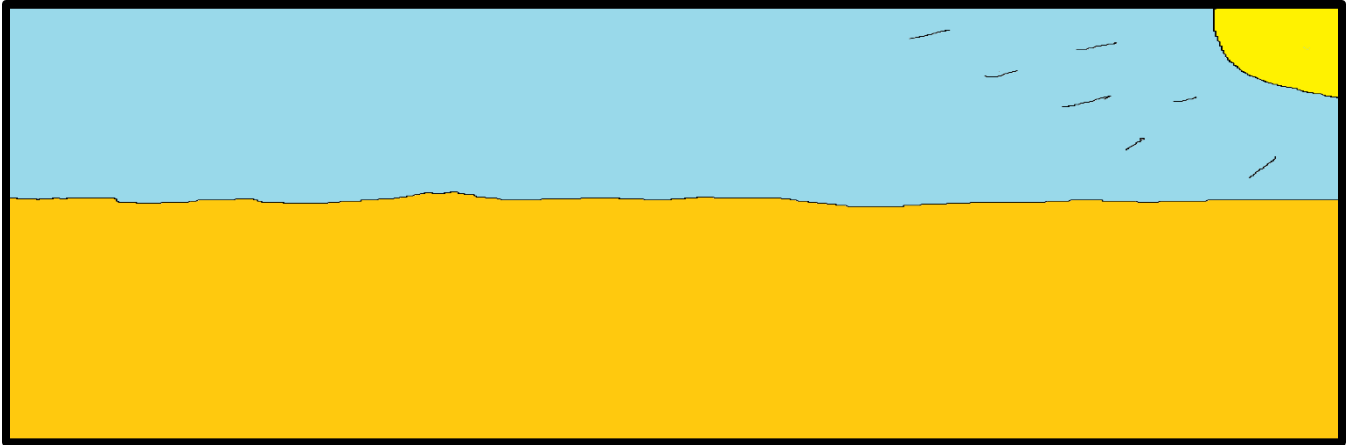


THE
END



For the environment and our surroundings

Biodiversity



Let's create a forest



ETHIQUETTE AND HUMAN RIGHTS



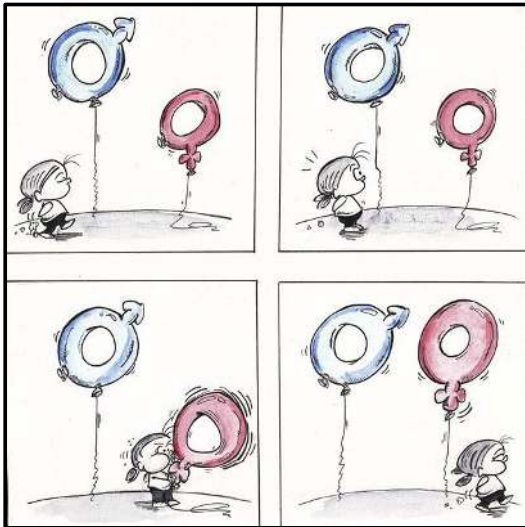
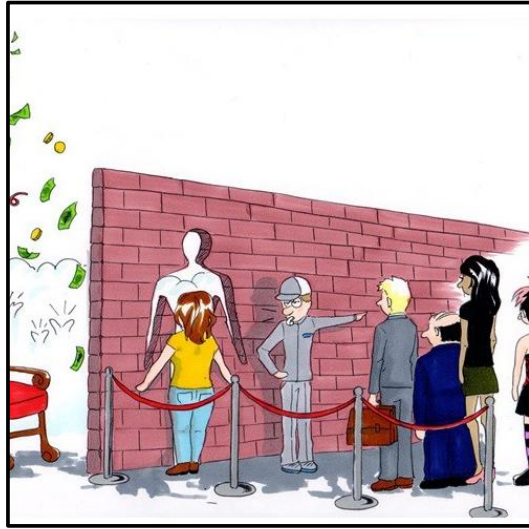
Hei



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FEMINISTS MOVEMENT



PLAYING ALL TOGETHER

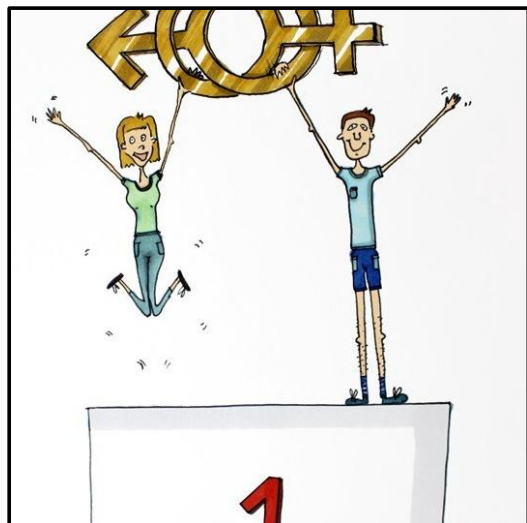


RACE



**FRIENDSHIP IS
MORE
IMPORTANT
THAN VICTORY!**

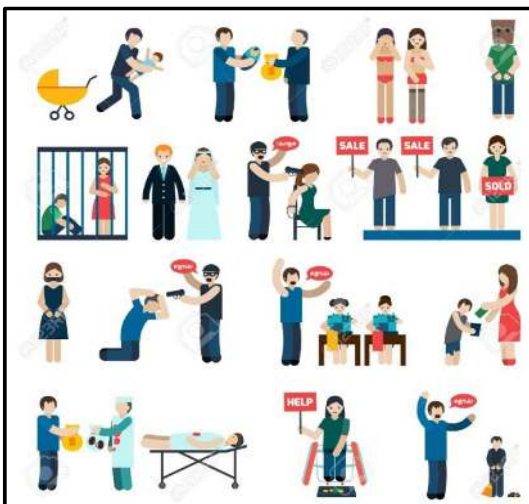
Sufragism



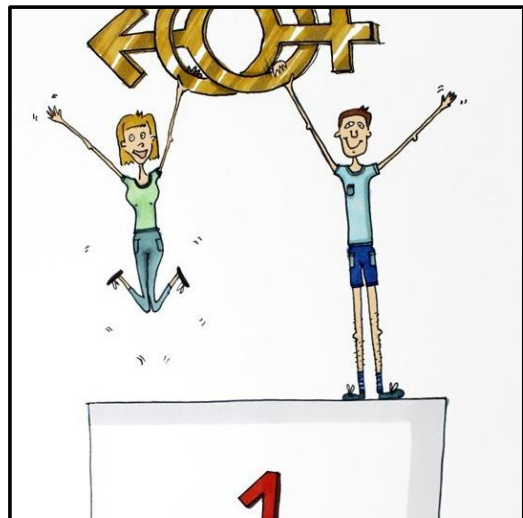
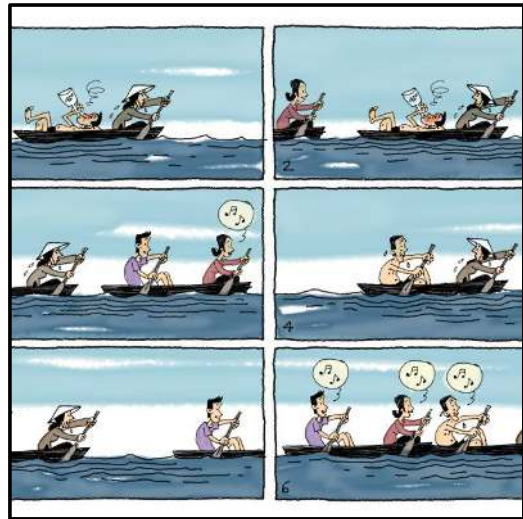
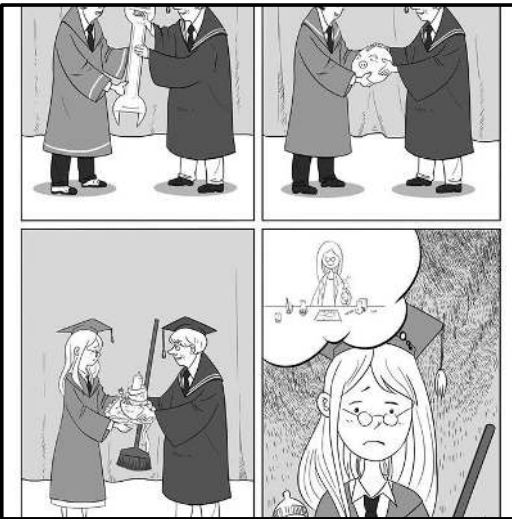
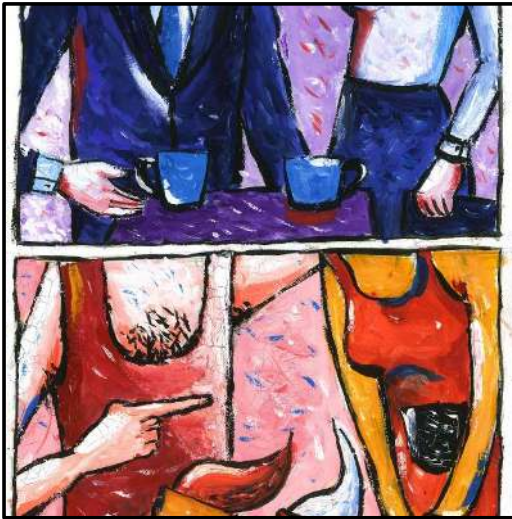
Tolerance – Stop bullying



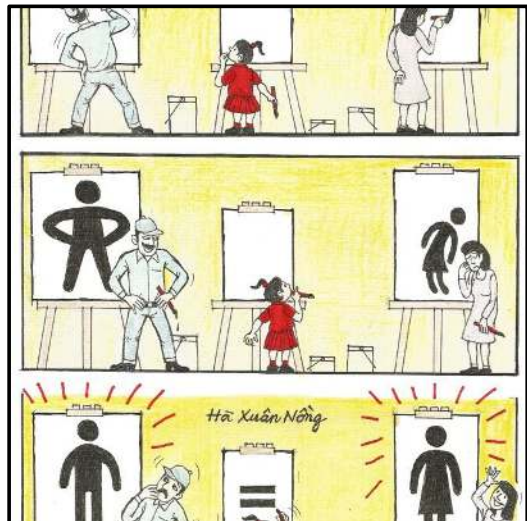
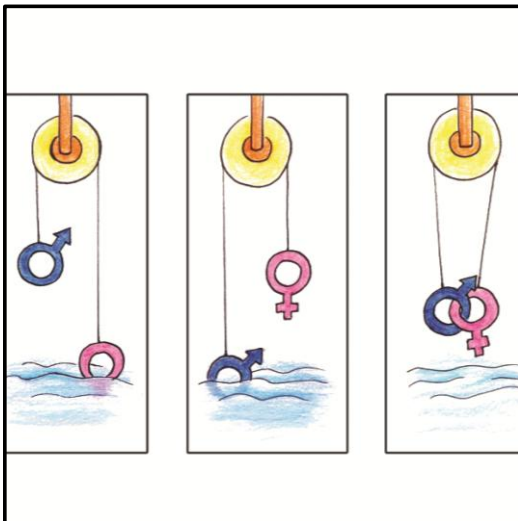
Trafficking



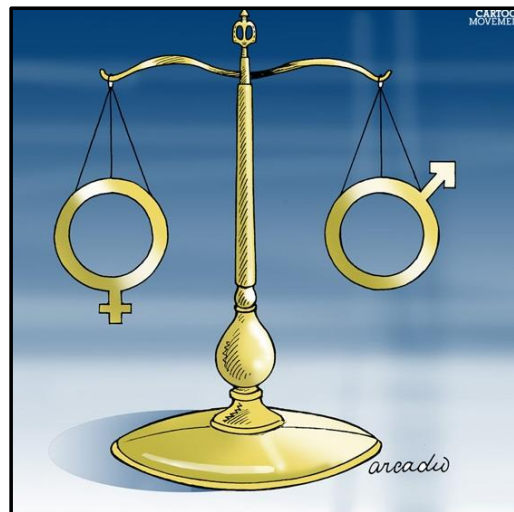
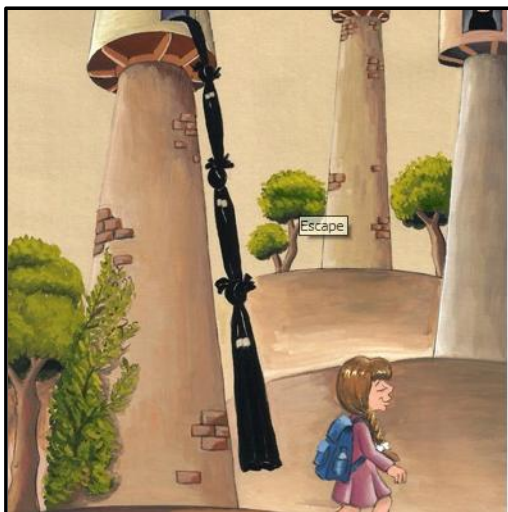
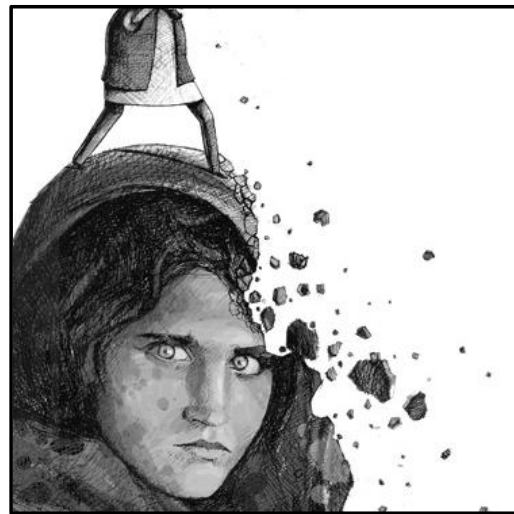
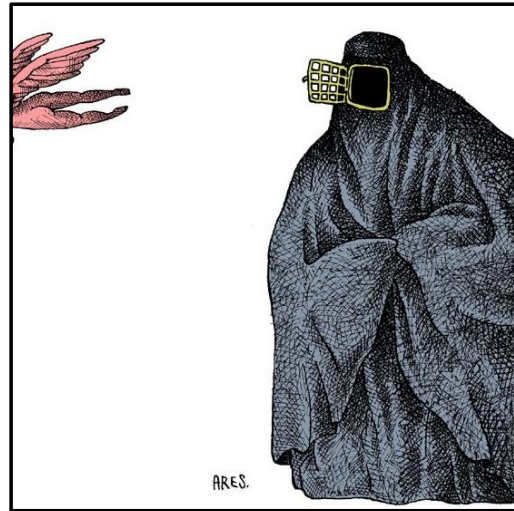
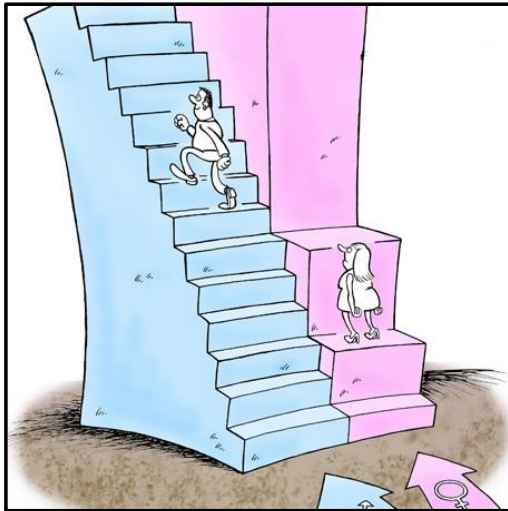
Women marching equal



Women's rights – human rights



Women's status through centuries



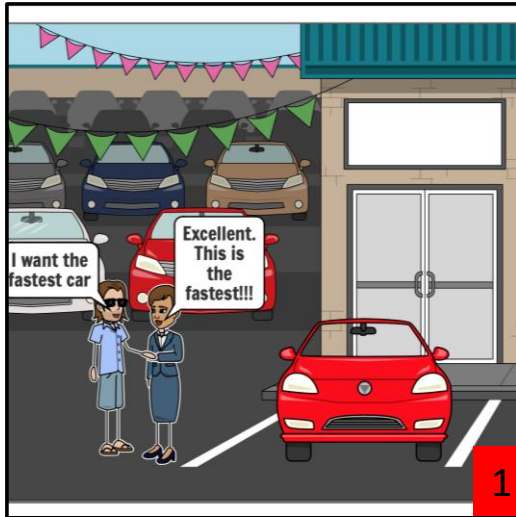
Asking for a seat



HOW TO BEHAVE IN A MEANS OF TRANSPORT



HOW TO BEHAVE ON THE STREET

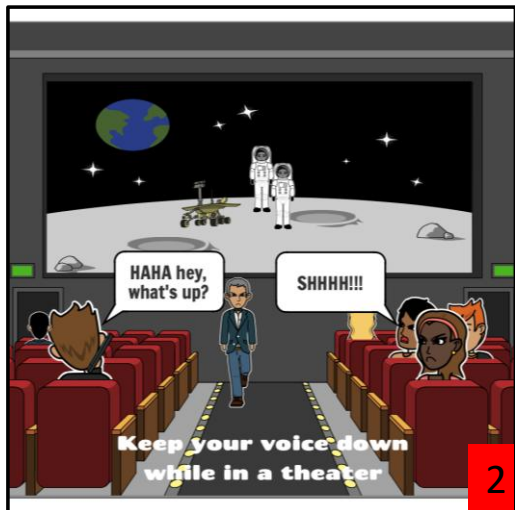
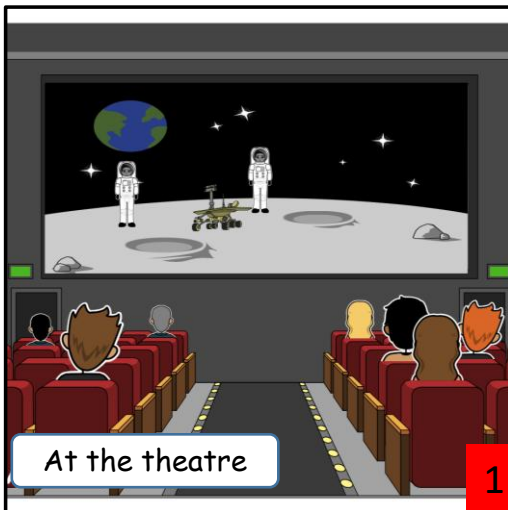


HOW TO BEHAVE IN A RESTAURANT

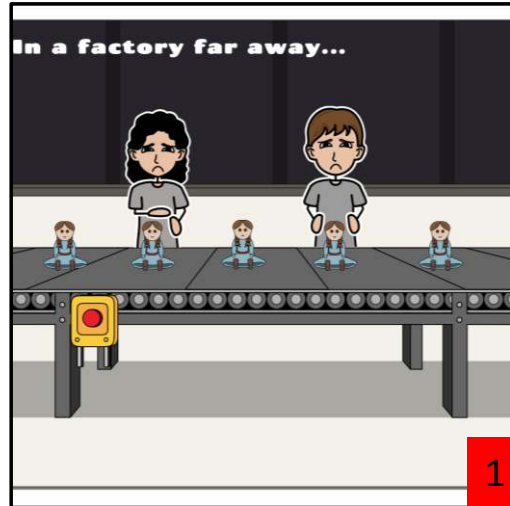
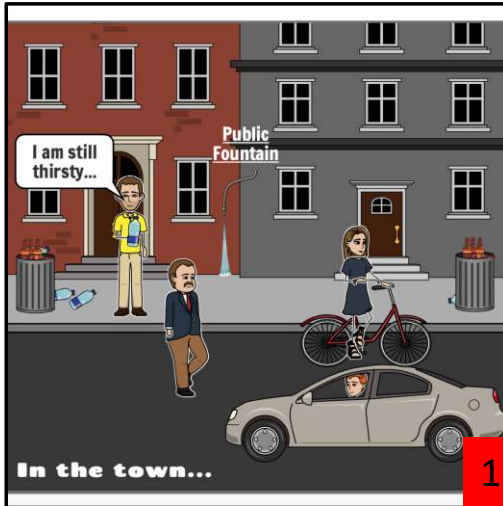


RESPECTING PEOPLE

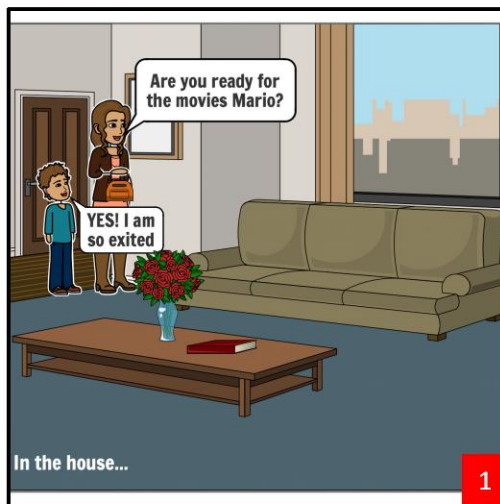
IN CINEMAS, MUSEUMS & OTHER PUBLIC PLACES



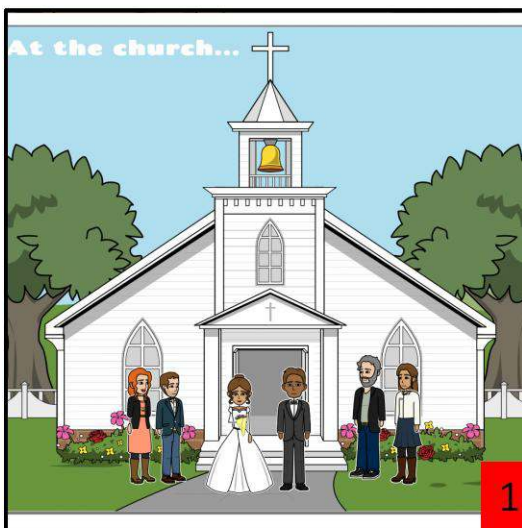
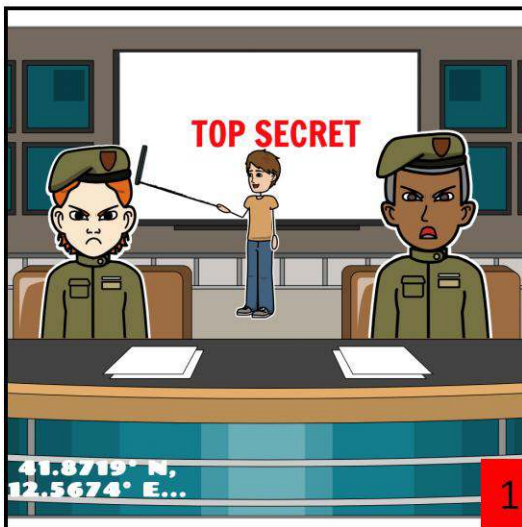
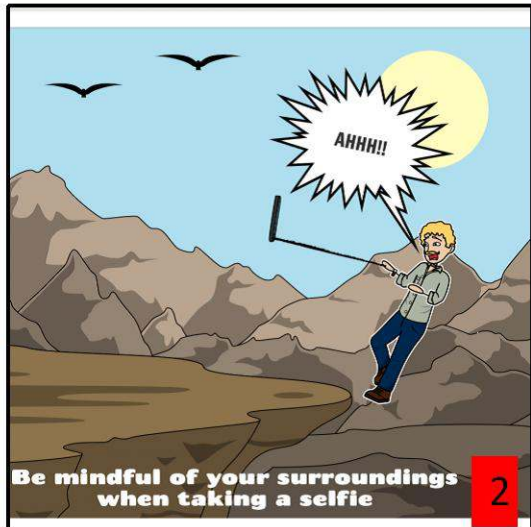
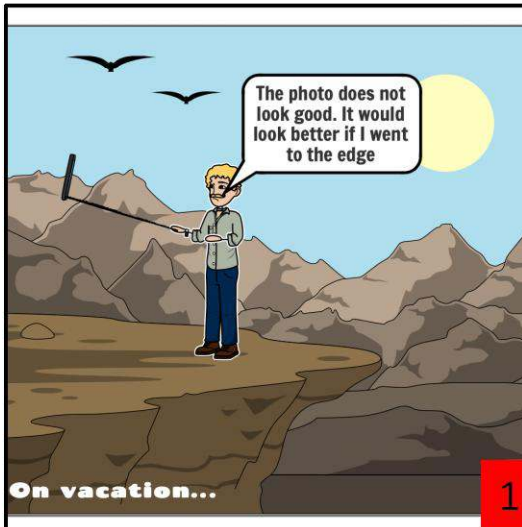
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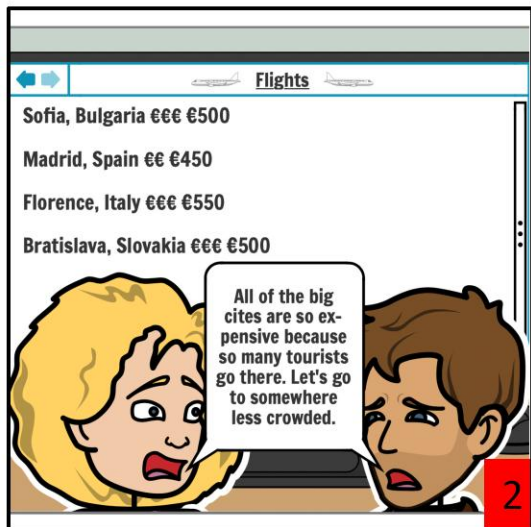
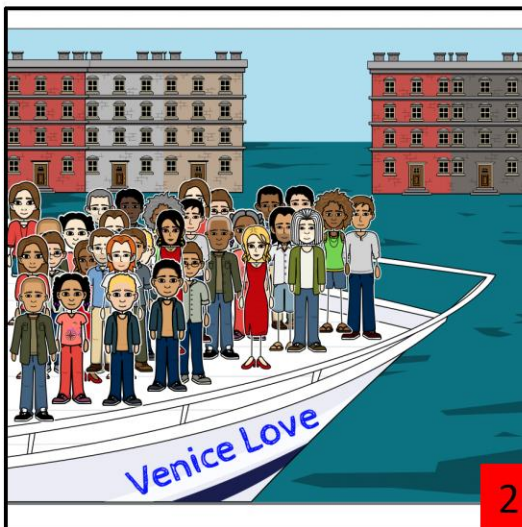
SMOKERS ETIQUETTE



SELFIE ETIQUETTE



ESCAPE OVERTOURISM



Driving Etiquette



DON'T DO YOUR MAKE UP ON THE TRAFFIC LIGHTS



AVOID AGGRESSIVE BEHAVIOUR ON THE ROAD



USE HONKING SPARINGLY



LEAVE A COMFORTABLE DISTANCE WHEN DRIVING. NO TAILGATING!

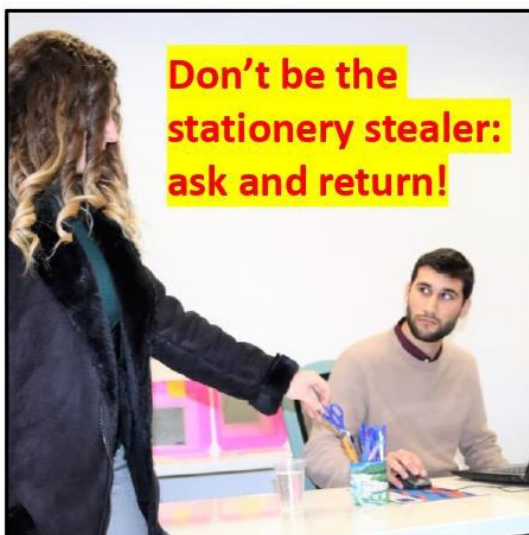


DON'T PARK TOO CLOSE TO OTHER VEHICLES

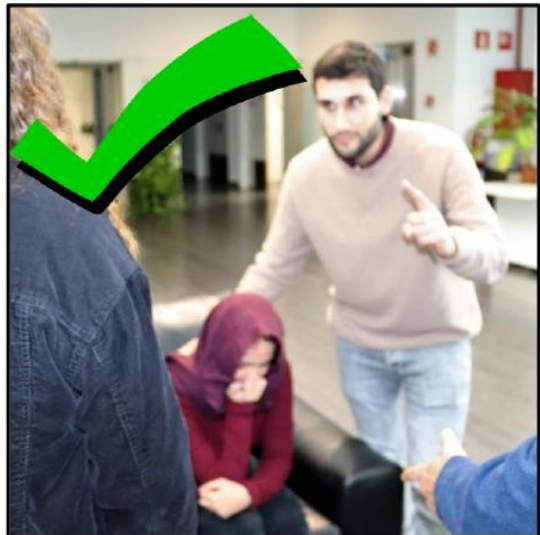


IF YOU'RE NOT DRIVING FAST ENOUGH...

Work Etiquette



Overcoming Radicalism



Living with different Religions

Coexistence & Tolerance



Catholic + Orthodox Christians



Christianity and Sikhism



Christian girls and Muslim girl



Islam and Judaism



Muslim and Hindu

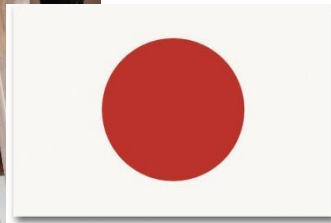
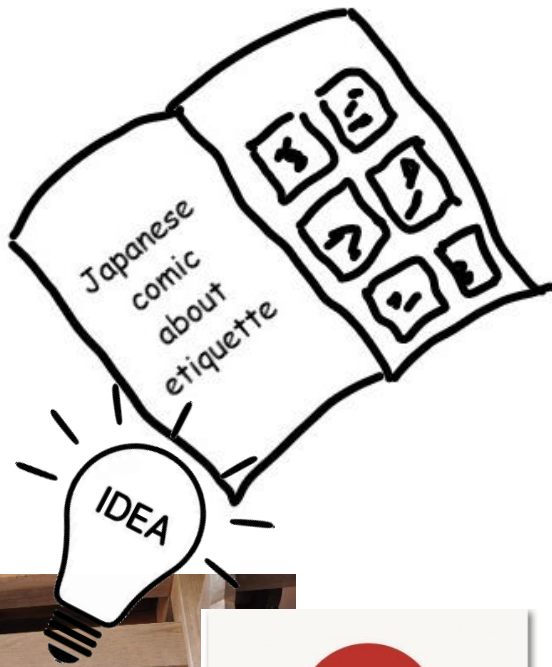


Buddhist girl and Muslim girl

PROJECT DEVELOPMENT



Erasmus+



ACTIVITIES



MEETINGS



TRAINING



COOPERATION

The fruits of hard work – Bulgarian folk tale



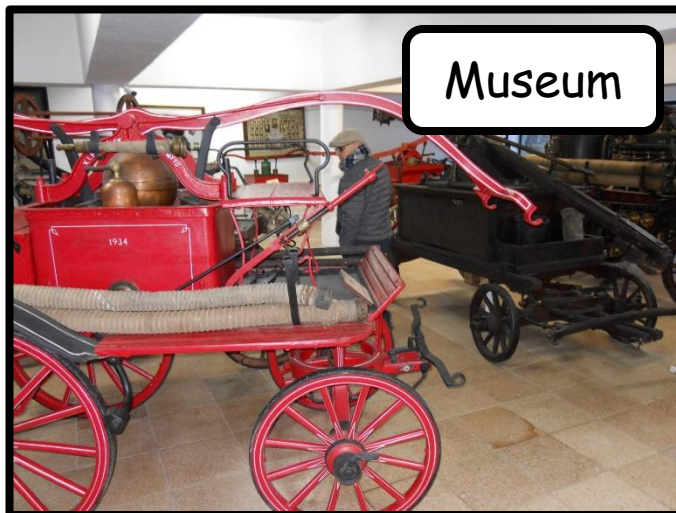
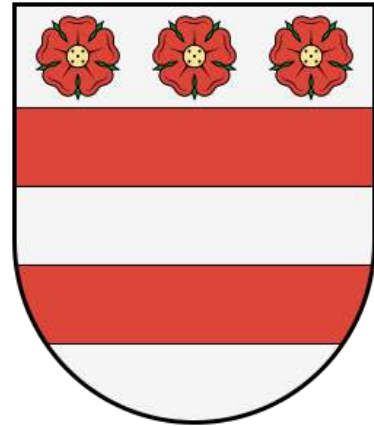
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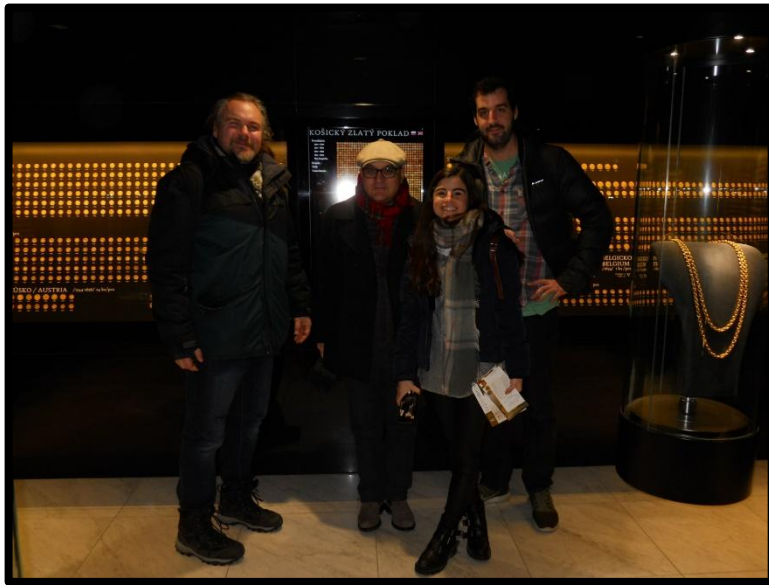
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1-st meeting Prešov



1-st meeting in Košice



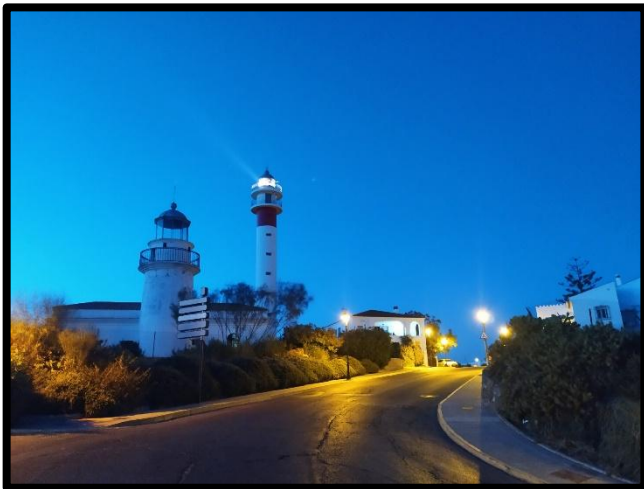
2-nd meeting in Oslo



3-rd meeting in Florence



4-rd meeting El Rompido



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THE END