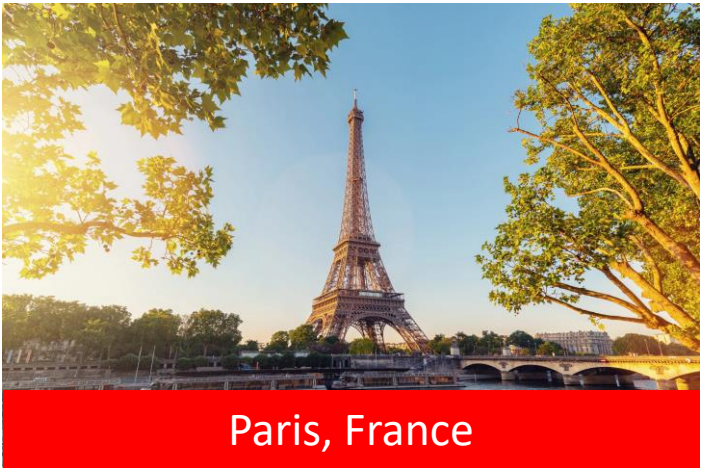


Modern Foreign Languages Challenge

There are some REALLY interesting places in the world where people speak French or German or Spanish. Where do you think the places are below? What do you know about these places?

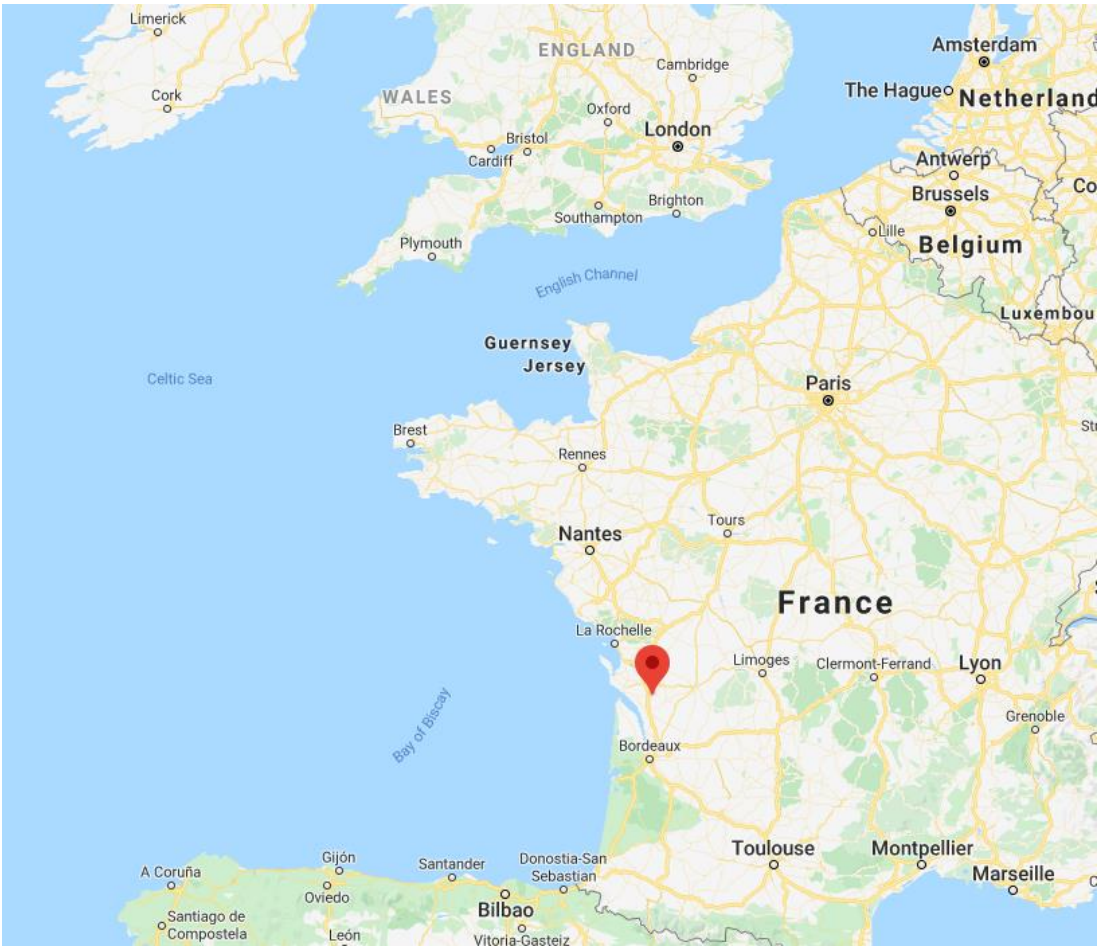


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*Bonjour, je m'appelle **Mademoiselle Elliott** et j'ai **vingt trois** ans.*

I teach French and Spanish at The Bolsover School. I used to live in Pons in France – a small town near Bordeaux.

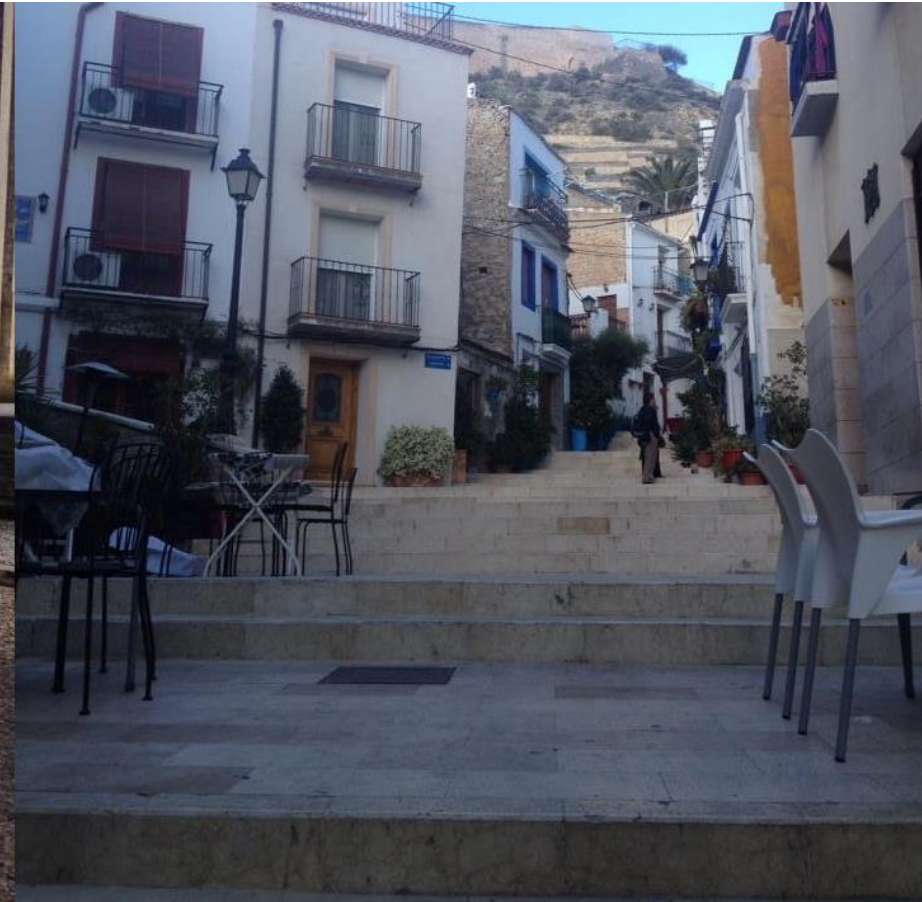


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It was a very small town where very few people spoke English other than the teachers and students at school. I also spent a lot of time in Bordeaux as this was a bigger city. I was also fortunate enough to visit Paris, Angoulême, Poitiers and La Rochelle.

I then moved from France to Spain where I lived in Alicante for 6 months!



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*Guten Tag! Ich heiße **Herr Drury** und ich bin **einundvierzig** Jahre alt.*

I am Head of MFL at The Bolsover School. I lived in France for a while in a city called **Clermont Ferrand**. It's a big city in the centre of France and it's the capital city of the Auvergne region.



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Clermont Ferrand is right here – it takes about 3 hours on the train from Paris and as you can see, the city is really close to lot of countryside but you can also get to Switzerland, Germany and Spain very quickly on a train. I love to travel so it was great living here. The weather was good, too!



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Clermont Ferrand is famous for its annual music festival (**la fête de la musique**), its rugby club and its volcano, called **le Puy de Dôme**. This was great for me, because I love walking, sport and music.



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I also spent some time living in Germany, in a city called **Düsseldorf**, which is built along the river Rhine.



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Düsseldorf is in the North West of Germany, near to Cologne and Dortmund and is very close to the Netherlands, Belgium and Luxemburg.



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The city is famous for its football team, Fortuna Düsseldorf, who were recently promoted back to the Bundesliga, and its old town, where there are lots of medieval buildings, shops, cafes and bars. I loved living here as the people were very friendly and I liked the atmosphere in the city. It was very cold in winter, though!



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However my IDEAL place to live would be Switzerland – this is because:



the scenery looks fantastic!

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However my IDEAL place to live would be Switzerland – this is because:



it's really close to lots of my favourite places in Europe

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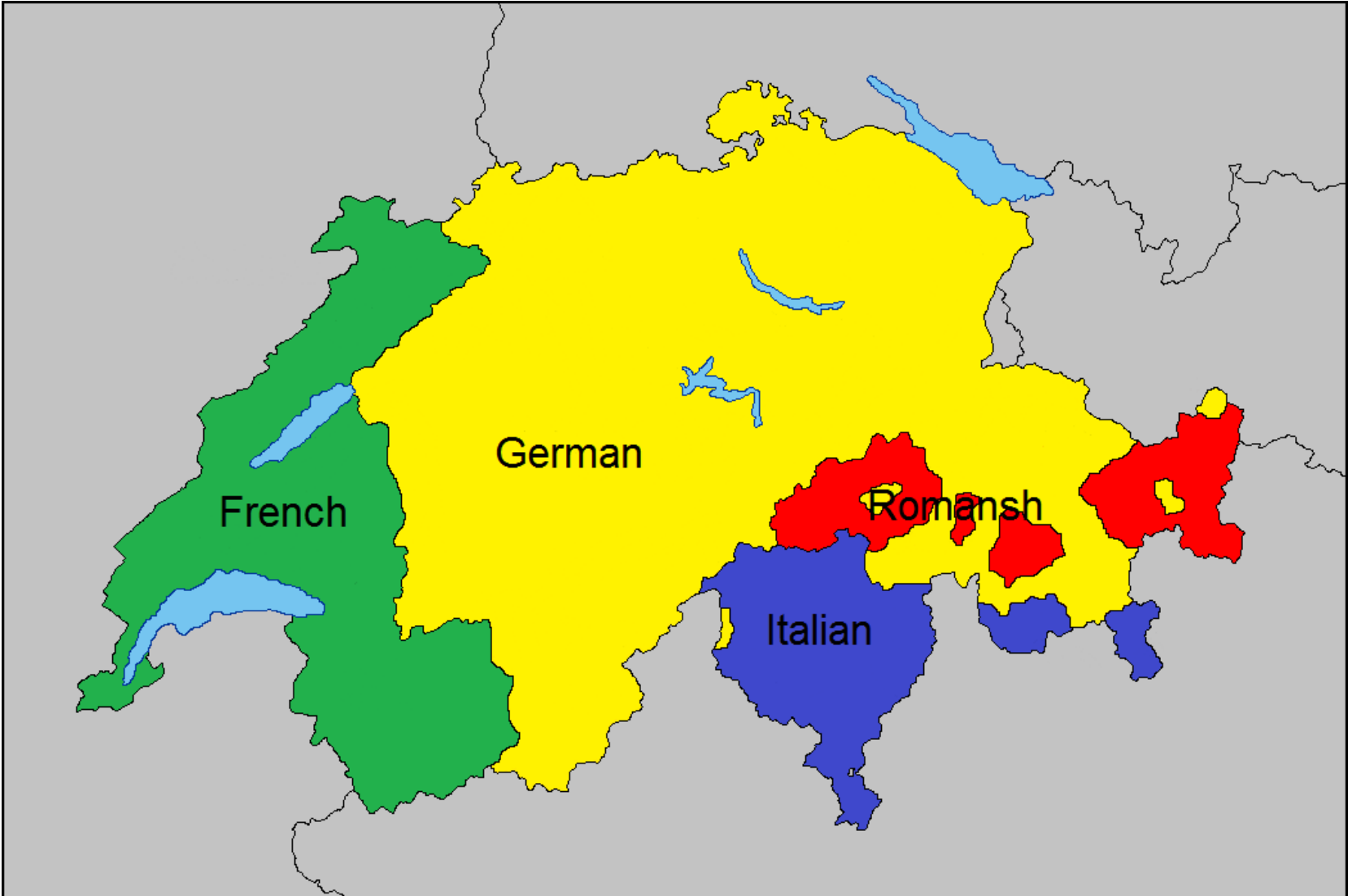


I could learn to ski in the Swiss Alps!

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However my IDEAL place to live would be Switzerland – this is because:



I could communicate using French and German but also learn Italian and Romansch

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However my IDEAL place to live would be Switzerland – this is because:



That's where Milka comes from!

NOW YOUR CHALLENGE!

Which French or German or Spanish-speaking country or city would you most like to go to and why?

Research as much as you can about French/German/Spanish-speaking places and make a decision. You will need to consider:

1. Are you going to pick a country or can you narrow it down to a city or region?
2. Is it somewhere you've been before or heard about from someone who's been? Or is it a place you knew nothing about but have found out about whilst researching?
3. Is your choice related to climate? The food? The local traditions? The location? The wildlife? What else?
4. Which things there are the same as here? Which things are different?

If you're undecided, you could do a "top 3 places"!

You could put your findings onto a poster or you could make a presentation online.

Why not send your work to mdrury@bolsover.derbyshire.sch.uk (a photo if it's a poster, or the file itself if it's a presentation) so that we can see what you've found out?