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I had an internship in Youghal, Ireland, where I worked for four weeks, thanks to the Business Academy and the Erasmus+ programme.

I worked at CRY Radio, where everything was broadcast live. The employees at this organization were very friendly and helpful, always ready to assist. The team was divided into different roles: sound and editing technicians, scriptwriters, and presenters.

During my internship at CRY Radio, I had several important tasks. My main responsibilities were writing scripts, recording audio, and editing sound. These tasks helped me understand how a radio station works behind the scenes.

The most useful experience for me was recording audio. It helped me improve my English, especially my pronunciation and speaking fluency. I also developed better communication skills because I had to speak clearly and confidently for the recordings. These are important skills for my future career, especially if I work in media or communications. Editing sound also taught me to pay attention to detail and work with audio software, which can be useful in many creative jobs.

I stayed with a wonderful host family during my internship. They were very kind and helpful, always ready to assist us with anything we needed. They often gave us rides to different places and cooked many delicious meals for us. They also did our laundry, which was very convenient. The family never had a problem with anything and was always in a good mood. Living with them made the whole experience much more comfortable and enjoyable.

In my free time during the internship, I spent a lot of time with the other participants. We went on several trips together. One of the highlights was a trip to see some beautiful waterfalls and explore the surrounding nature, which was very relaxing and enjoyable.

We also visited the city of Cork a few times, where we walked around the centre, did some shopping, and tried local food. Another fun activity was going to an amusement park, where we played arcade games and had a great time. These trips helped us relax and get to know each other better.

Our flights and public transport were fully covered, and we also received pocket money, which helped us cover living expenses.

Before the internship, I attended preparation courses where we practised English and learned about the work environment. They were very helpful and made me feel prepared.

The internship was a great experience. I improved my English, learned how to record and edit audio, and worked with amazing people. My biggest success was becoming more confident in speaking, and I even received a job offer.

The best surprise? Irish people really love talking about the weather – even more than we do!