

## Ilker from Turkey:

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My stay in Poland I started in October 2008. My place of work was a club in a boarding school. That was the place, where all the children came when the lessons were over and I was the one to arrange the time for them, play with them, teach them English. Often I was helping also with different workshops like cooking. The children and I were cooking Turkish dishes. There was a lot of fun.



During my stay in Białystok I was learning Polish. Polish language is difficult, so after seven months I couldn't speak.

I went to trainings, all volunteers must go through. I met other volunteers there. We became friends and visited each other. I was going to Wrocław and Kraków and they came to Białystok.

In my free time it was nice to see Białystok and surroundings. I tried to know Polish culture and people. I was meeting people and talked to them. I like Poland a lot. If it was possible I would like to come back here and work at that school. What I want more is to use the knowledge and experience from my EVS in Turkey, where the effects can be better.

