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Eight foreign exchange students enjoyed a year of life in America. These students represented many European countries: from Denmark, Jan Hansen; Sweden, Anders Pramborn; Spain, Javier Santiago; Brazil, Yan Tavares; Norway, Christian Helland; Germany, Dietmut Lewin, Matt Orlawski, and Torsten Rath.

These students had the opportunity to play sports. Matt joined the football team in its outstanding season. Christian, a golfer, enjoyed plenty of time on the golf course, practicing almost every day. Many played soccer, a popular sport in Europe. However, they learned that the game is played differently in the states. Anders, who played on a Summerville soccer team in the fall, found that soccer is played with football techniques, since football is a favorite American sport.

"American people are friendly," said Javier. "American people are more patriotic," said Torsten. "Americans are lazy and have conveniences such as fast-food restaurants," added Anders.

They had new experiences to keep them busy so they did not become homesick. Dietmut's parents were able to join her for the Christmas holidays. Academics were harder because of the language barrier, but not in the course load. Most of these students were used to nine, eleven, or even fourteen subjects in their native countries.

— Emily Risher

On an English field trip, Anders Pramborn, Torsten Rath, and Javier Santiago wait for the Medieval Times show to begin. They were all in Mrs. Janis Blocker's English IV class.