## TLE: Possible opportunities for learning beyond the classroom

# **Accessing the environment**

- Preparing for a social excursion (e.g. visiting the historic centre of a city)
- Follow up on a social excursion
- Making contact with English-speakers in their own country (but how?)
- Professional guided tours (in English?)
- Getting in outside speakers and visitors (i.e. bringing the world outside the classroom into the classroom)
- Visiting local English language facilities (e.g. companies, shops)
- Using social network sites (Facebook, Twitter etc)
- Work opportunities (including voluntary work) that involve English
- Etc...

### **Projects**

- Projects using local facilities and issues
- Organising a class dinner at a local restaurant
- Make an English-language video of your city
- Setting up an English language website for your city (or company, school, or even your family)
- Following an English football club or Wimbledon or any other sport (or artistic topic) you are interested in (e.g. subscribe to website)
- Carrying out surveys and questionnaires (e.g. in shopping centre)
- Produce a Host Family Cookbook
- Etc...

#### Everyday life

- Setting up an English language blog
- "What did you do today?" slot (host and student tell each other about their day)
- Do household chores and cook together (with host family)
- Watching TV, either with a English-speaking person to explain or with subtitles
- Ways of making yourself think in English
- Ways of making yourself dream in English
- Everyday life and routines (e.g. shopping, travelling)
- Your journey to school or work (e.g. noting examples of English)
- Reading an English novel, magazine, blog
- Etc...

#### Learning support and research

- Using the internet as a research tool
- Using an English-English dictionary for homework
- Accessing the news
- Keeping a learner diary or portfolio
- Etc...

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