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## The 207 at Domaine Bini : an ecological village



**On** May 28th, we went to the Domaine Bini Lagune in Cocody, Koffakoi. We did this school trip because it is in connection with our English program about the environment.

**The** Domaine Bini is a tourist site in Ivory Coast. It is above all, an ecological place. It uses solar energy and protects the environment.



**It** was complicated to get there because the path was strange and dangerous. There were three steps to do during this trip: contemplate nature, taste it and enjoy it. Before that, we were welcomed by the guides with coconut juice and palm wine. After that, we gave the news as it is in tradition in Ivory Coast.



**First** of all, we were separated into two groups, one went to visit the village and the other to ride on the lagoon.

**In** the village, we discovered the way they live : their cassava plantations, the splendid landscape, their houses, the place where they make their products like the Moringa soap for example. We especially admired the magnificent green view that was offered to us.





Then we took canoes and rowed on the lagoon with the help of the guides. They told us short stories about their village and we learnt about their fishing techniques.



The second step was to taste nature .At Domaine Bini,we are not offered food because we are hungry but because it is an activity. We ate with our hands, in the attieke leaves that we had collected ourselves in the forest.They did not say « enjoy your meal » but « good luck ».The challenge was to refill at least 3 times. The food was all natural and just delicious.

The last step was to enjoy nature. Some of us did the "obstacle course", in the forest, a very complicated challenge to complete. We did the swing, took pictures, we stretched out on the hammocks.We had a great time.



It was hard for us to go home because we were having a good time but also because we had to take the narrow path.

We would like to thank the people at Domaine Bini who welcomed us so well.



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