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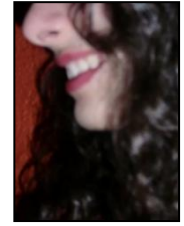


Under



Journo Squad

I wander in the darkness, all-seeing, all-knowing, with a team of skillful ninjas behind me all along. Our duty to guard this construction site is bound to our honour, and we'll guard it until the last of us stand... at the end of the day. In this construction site, minds will be raised, memories will be made and kept in safety, and we'll be there, all-seeing, all-knowing, wandering in the darkness to make your earthly person last for eternity. Beware... behind you! ... no more...



DarkLady, editor-in-chief



I'm the youngest PEJ journalist (at least this year)... That's probably the reason why you don't know me. Besides being new in this mad world I'm also new at this school... I'm thinking of changing my name. What do you think of... maybe... "mad girl"... or... "not a very wise girl"? Well, who knows? Everything's possible in this huge world that's PEJ!!!

Shorty

My name is Ana Magalhães and I have been sober for two months. On second thought, I had a relapse this week, but let's keep this between us. Now seriously, enough of jokes. I'm a letters, jazz and cinema lover. I can't stand injustice, mostly with the ones I love. One day, I intend to work in Law or Politics. Time will tell. I have a good relationship with English, well actually, it's an addiction that I can't heal.



Whisky



Hi there! My name is Patrícia and I'm a 17 year-old girl. What else can I tell you about me? Well, I love to laugh and make others laugh, I'm outgoing, nice and I love to spend time with my boyfriend and friends, the summer and going to the beach! ☺ And I truly hope that you enjoy PEJ as much as I did!

Patrícia, the normal one

Hi there. Hi, everybody. My name's Riki Nando. You may imagine where this peculiar name comes from. But it doesn't matter anyway. There's almost nothing I cannot do, and I have never experienced a bigger challenge than being a journo at YEP in this school, this year. If sense of humour is what you like, sense of humour is what you will get. I don't miss a misspelled word; I don't miss an incoherent sentence; I don't miss anything. And besides, sense of humour dwells in me. Surely, this will be the best experience of my school-year; I believe so!



Riki Nando



Hello everyone!! I HAVE A DREAM... wait I'm not Martin Luther King, I'm Joana Martins. This is my first time as a journo in EYP. Last year I participated as a delegate so, I hope you grab this opportunity because I am sure you will love it as much as I did. I am eighteen years old and I study languages and humanities. I want to be a criminologist and bring justice to this unfair country! (I totally seemed like Martin Luther King now).

Concluding, I am A-W-E-S-O-M-E! *laugh*
And who I really am? That's a secret I'll never tell. Xoxo,

Gossip Jo

Committees



TOP SECRET

Committee on Environment

Secret code - ENVI

Area of expertise - Renewable Energies

Special attack - Cooperation and responsibility

Main target - To learn and to debate

The big boss in one word - Original



Chair - “Ora, os meus delegados são muito invulgares e pouco convencionais. Para ser totalmente honesta, eles são ligeiramente loucos. Mas também é isso que mais me cativa neles. Com a sua capacidade criativa e originalidade eles vão ser os mais espectaculares delegados que esta escola alguma vez viu!” - Joana Silva



TOP SECRET

Need to know Only!

Committees



TOP SECRET

Committee on Employment and Social Affairs

Secret code - Tables

Area of expertise - Ethnic minority discrimination

Special attack - The group's union and artistic spirit, from which, surprisingly, result good ideas.

Main target - To change the way people think about racism.

The big boss in ~~one~~ *three* words - Organized, committed, patient



Chair - "Visto que a minha delegação é composta por artistas, a arte de convencer, rebater e discursar está-lhes no sangue. Desta forma, as minorias étnicas ganharam 7 novas vozes que deixaram todos na G.A pasmos com tanta, como direi isto sem ser ofensiva, excentricidade, talvez?"

- Ana Nunes



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Committees



TOP SECRET

Committee on Youth

Secret code - Emphasizers

Area of expertise - Alcohol and young people

Special attack - They speak fluent sarcasm

Main target - Fail 11th grade in order to be a delegate again

The big boss in one word - Boring (“Have we already said we can speak fluent sarcasm?”)



Chair - “Why are you going to be amazed with my delegation? I’ll tell you... Not only are they loving and the perfect combination of work and fun as they are, each one in their own particular way, they are also awesome human beings. Miguel can debate all by himself. Paulo is our bad boy who generates controversy. Raquel Freitas is our athlete who’s always ready to laugh and to fight. Raquel Ribeiro will forever be our dearest and sober Amy Winehouse. Susana is our party girl with the voice of an angel, Tomé has always something to say even if it requires drawings in order to explain it and Veronica is imagination in person, the one who knows the funniest names ever. If they’re so great separated try to imagine how they are when together. I couldn’t have asked for a better group.”- Mónica Moreira



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Committees



TOP SECRET

Committee on Civil Rights

Secret code - Aliens

Area of expertise - Security in humanitarian work

Special attack - Beauty (6 in favor, 1 against)

Main target for this session - To look good and to try not to humiliate themselves.

The big boss in one word - Indescribable



Chair - "A minha delegação é a melhor, pois é a delegação mais unida e cativante, onde até o stress é saudável. Toda a união, toda a boa disposição constante, tornam a sua companhia indispensável e única. Com eles sinto-me mesmo bem!" - Camila Uribe



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Committees



TOP SECRET

Committee on Human Rights

Secret code - Dignifiers

Area of expertise - Euthanasia

Special attack - Dedication

Main target for this session - To show they know how to discuss matters related to society (and to win perhaps?)

The big boss in one word - Outstanding ☺



Chair - “A minha delegação é a melhor, não pela forma como fala, não pela forma como se defende, nem pela forma como ataca... A minha delegação é a melhor por aquilo que é... inesquecível!” - Francisco Maciel



TOP SECRET

Need to know Only!

Let the glorious day begin

Teambuilding

As usual in EYP, the delegates were presented with a pleasant surprise, before starting the most difficult part of the day, which could lead them to a really stressful time... it was fun games' time! This year, the Teambuilding was different: it had new games, introduced by the organisers, such as "pass the orange", "fruit salad" and "look into the eyes". However, we could also see games from previous years, such as "human corridor" and "finger lift" – these being the individual ones. As for the group games, we had the "train of love", "big fat pony", "funky chicken" and "Zulu dance", so that the delegates could have a good time together and bond with each other.

In fact, this kind of games was a good initiative. However, there were some difficulties, such as for the shoes, concerning boys and girls, and the dresses, concerning only women, of course. It's proved that being elegant and beautiful hurts. Ask the delegates and chairs as well!

Whisky & Riki Nando





1st round

Play time was over and the anxiety was invading our dear delegates' hearts again. Not even with emotional speeches about the greatness of being an EYPer during the opening ceremony could stop the feet from moving up and down with a speed that matched those restless hands hidden in their laps... And when the session was officially open by the President João Moura... oh, we bet some hearts skipped a beat...

ENVI

The first committee to present their motion was *Environment*. Their motion was written to help Nature through renewable sources. But it was very attacked for being too repetitive and for not having given new ideas and solutions. They've also been charged that it seemed they were toying with the Earth, that they didn't risk getting out of their comfort zone, presenting measures already in use. Even with so many attacks, they reacted explaining that they wanted to improve the measures that already existed and that even being a small part of the ones who harm the world, they could avoid the huge problems Earth is facing.



They've also said in their sum-up that they weren't toying with the environment and that "people come and people go but earth remains" and so we all must go green and respect Nature so we won't need to know how it feels not being able to enjoy Nature. However, their motion wasn't approved. But don't worry, delegates, you'll have time to prove your worth throughout this session. GO GREEN!

Shorty



CIVIL

As a journo, I'm glad that I can write about such an enthusiastic Committee like the one on *Civil Rights*. As the minutes pass by, the nervousness increases but our fellow delegates do not let themselves be influenced by that (they are brave like ninjas!!).

Their intervention started with a video about humanitarian work around the world (very appealing by the way). Mariana Moreira read the operative clauses loud and clear and Telmo Leal read the defence speech with passion, so the show could begin.

Their committee presented some measures to ensure the safety of humanitarian workers and they also alerted for some problems that they face every day, such as the lack of resources and some actions against their personal safety like terrorist attacks.

The Committee on Human rights made a defence speech where they congratulated the originality and opportunism of those solutions. However the Committee on Youth said that they should focus on the safety of humanitarian workers more profoundly because it was their lives that were at risk. The committee on Employment, with Joana Mendes' intervention, also attacked this motion because they considered that people in the third world countries, who are suffering from hunger, don't listen or even understand their work. But then CIVIL defended themselves by saying it is essential to establish communication between peoples, in order to improve their work and cooperation in the area. They condemned the people who don't respect human rights and defended that violence should be the last resource!



In conclusion, as CIVIL said in their sum-up (extremely well done) they've approached one of the most neglected themes in the world, talking about living heroes who abdicate their lives in order to help others. Like Martin Luther King said, and this delegation supported, **THEY ALSO HAVE A DREAM** where the ones who have the courage to help others are rewarded.

YOUTH

We all started the second part of the Open Debate with a lot of energy and a big smile, as usual, with our bellies full of the “delicious” lunch. The *Committee on Youth* was the first one of the afternoon and all the delegates were ready to defend their precious points of view.

This Committee supported their motion on information and education. Basically the delegates defended that teenagers should have those principles as guaranteed. In fact, all the politicians, educators and parents, seen by everyone as role models, should offer a precious environment to teenagers. On the other hand, we should all participate in the construction of a better society controlled by a stronger legislation. In a few words, it's crucial to make a difference with the resolution of this essential problem.



However, the other Committees saw the motion as vague. In fact, they affirmed that the delegates didn't do a good research and that they didn't apply their knowledge on the construction of a motion subordinated to a crucial and actual problem. On the other hand, they appointed some measures as unachievable and others as already taken in the UE circle.



Even so, the delegates from YOUTH didn't back off. In fact, the stress was transformed into strength that was used to defend their motion. They raised their heads up high and made really good interventions. In fact, they screamed “It's a teenager's choice to drink or not to drink. However, it's also our goal to show them the best way”.

In the end, the motion was approved on the Assembly. The chair Mónica Moreira was so proud of her little EYPers that she said “they behaved so well, I couldn't ask for better”.

Whisky

HUMAN

I'm a journo this year. I have to write something which sounds like a comment on the *Committee on Human Rights*. I'm so pleased to do it. The work of a journo is very tiring, and we

must make a great effort to understand clearly everything we listen to and to note everything down. But in the end, we feel rewarded for having done such a great work! And the Committee on Human Rights has surely been a great group for coverage, since I could understand them clearly and they had coherent ideas.

It started with a video with a little girl speaking about their subject, Euthanasia, followed by an old man, who also showed his opinion on the issue.

They opened with Maria Guedes reading the operative clauses, in a loud and clear tone, so that everyone could listen to her. Then they had a defence speech, giving us the definition of euthanasia and telling us whether it is allowed in certain places or not. And their defence speech was completed by EMPL's defence speech, in which this Committee said the motion was brilliant.



The debate was great, since there were many interventions from the other committees, creating a fired up discussion! They even needed to make a direct response, which shows us how "hot" the debate was going. There were always good examples given by many committees, such as YOUTH and CIVIL, and HUMAN always stood up for their motion!

They finished with their sum up, in which they said that someone who is in coma is only pseudo-alive, and that those people have the right to die with dignity. The subject is controversial, since it has a cultural, a religious and a social branch, according to the committee members. It hurts thinking of putting an end to life! "Life and death will be valued equally", I quote.

The voting was astonishing: all the committees except YOUTH voted for the motion. YOUTH voted with 5 against and 2 abstentions. They are, indeed, a promising delegation.

Riki Nando

EMPL

The committee on Employment and Social Affairs did very well. During the morning, as the debate was opened, they showed us their power through their attack and defense speeches, direct responses and their great interventions to the other committee's motions. They were very active showing to all the assembly their opinions which were quite coherent and constructive.

Besides criticizing they also gave some ideas to make other delegation's resolutions better. 😊

As the afternoon came, their power and strength didn't disappear. In fact, it improved once their time to



shine was finally coming. Last, but not least, the EMPL committee was the last delegation presenting their motion. They started with a video where some French people gave their opinion about gypsies living in their country. Then they proceeded with the reading of the operative clauses, which was the first step to the beginning of the debate. The following ones were the defense and attack speeches by other committees to theirs. There were two defense speeches: one by the YOUTH committee and the other one from EMPL. Our guys defended their motion with an incredible grapple, mentioned that French people's attitude did not contribute to the integration of Roma people and defended that their motion would be a great vehicle in changing people's mentalities, to make a difference in our world. On the other hand, YOUTH delegation supported the ideas of EMPL and said that with their measures every single person, including gypsies, could have an important role in society.

During the open debate EMPL suffered some criticism such as: when someone moves to another country, he or she should get a job in at least 3 months and gypsies do not do this. And the committee on Environment referred that these people isolate themselves, being also guilty for the discrimination that they are suffering from. But EMPL didn't give up and answered fearlessly to their fellow delegates, saying that it's too difficult to get a job in 3 months, especially for those with a lack of studies, which is the case of most gypsies. And they isolate themselves not because they want to, but because they need to, once we usually look at them with a superior look. Despite the criticism, they were often congratulated by YOUTH delegation, which stood up many times for them. To finish their job, one of the delegates went to the stage and read the sum up with soul. For the last time, the committee appealed to the need of fighting for a fairer society. He emphasized that it is unforgivable to try to divide the society with a wall of discrimination, because "there is only one race: the human race" and their motion "was about the true nationality: human kind".



In the end, with 14 votes for, 18 against and 3 abstentions their motion did not pass, unfortunately. But I'm sure that these guys finished the day with the feeling of having given all they had, fighting for a better world, full of consciousness and critical spirit.

Patricia

Backstage interviews

Aproveitando a sua breve, mas significativa presença, a equipa de *journos* fez uma pequena entrevista ao Vereador da Educação da Câmara de Matosinhos, o Prof. Correia Pinto, logo após o seu discurso.

Journo: Acha que seria positivo aplicar este projecto noutras escolas?

Vereador: Por aquilo que referi no meu discurso, acho que é óbvio. Eu acho que este projecto é fundamental para o desenvolvimento da nossa comunidade. Nós temos um movimento associativo muito rico, temos muito boas empresas, temos estruturas da própria sociedade civil que precisa de uma nova classe de dirigentes e os dirigentes produzem-se em projectos desta natureza. As nossas organizações são, em regra, lideradas por pessoas de uma geração que já não sabe muito bem o que é que os jovens querem. Isto não dá futuro a nenhuma organização. É necessário criar uma nova classe de dirigentes, que se habituem a reflectir sobre os problemas, as adversidades e os projectos da comunidade, a encontrarem eles próprios soluções, dinâmicas e metodologias, novas ideias e actividades, e que daqui nasça essa vontade de fazer coisas ao serviço da comunidade e fazê-las, quer seja numa perspectiva empresarial, quer seja numa de voluntariado. Era muito importante que estes projectos fossem investidos em todas as escolas do país. A vossa escola este ano propôs uma iniciativa que envolvesse todas as escolas de Matosinhos, a qual eu apoiei apesar de duas escolas não aderirem.

Journo: Qual é a importância do PEJ na sua opinião?

Vereador: Este projecto tem competitividade mas também tem simultaneamente uma componente de reflexão, de cidadania que é extremamente importante para o futuro.



Journo: Agora que a língua Inglesa está a ser aprendida mais cedo na vida escolar, sente que este projecto se poderá estender aos alunos mais novos?

Vereador: Claro que sim. Neste momento já há no concelho algumas experiências desta natureza no 1º ciclo, designadamente aqui na freguesia de Leça do Balio. Ainda não têm este conceito tão global que determina a necessidade do uso da língua Inglesa como instrumento de comunicação. Não têm, mas eu acho que podemos fazer esse caminho. Aliás, vamos ter a partir do próximo ano, no 1º ciclo, aqui na escola da Amieira, a primeira escola bilingue do Porto, onde tudo o que os alunos aprenderem é em Inglês, que é de facto um avanço BRUTAL! Portanto estou convencido que vai ser possível gradualmente injectar este “veneno” positivo desde o 1º ciclo, porque poucas são as instituições que trabalham a língua inglesa. Antigamente era mais trabalhada a parte escrita e agora a educação é muito mais virada para a comunicação. E esta será sempre a mais importante.

A existência do PEJ Escola não se deve apenas à Professora Eduarda e à Professora Teresa, mas também a alguém cuja presença discreta é crucial na concretização deste projecto nesta escola. Assim sendo, a equipa journo foi saber a opinião da Directora, a Dra. Isabel Morgado, sobre esta iniciativa.



Journo: Na sua opinião, em que é que o PEJ contribui para esta escola e os seus alunos?

Directora: O PEJ é um projecto inovador e é uma actividade de enriquecimento que também serve, no fundo, para desenvolvermos outras competências nos alunos, nomeadamente na língua estrangeira e na educação para a cidadania, ao serem debatidos os assuntos da actualidade. Portanto é um projecto que, para além de inovador, não é só uma actividade de remediação, como é o hábito da maior parte das escolas que dirige as suas actividades para os alunos fracos ou com mais dificuldades. Esta não. Esta está direccionada também para outro tipo de alunos, que já desenvolveram algumas competências e, portanto, procuram adquirir outras no sentido de ficarem ainda mais enriquecidos.

Journo: Acha que esta sessão do PEJ atingiu as suas expectativas?

Directora: Por aquilo que eu tive conhecimento, transmitido pela professora Eduarda e pela professora Teresa, e também por aquilo que eu vi, mais uma vez superou as minhas expectativas sem dúvida.

Journo: Sente que o PEJ tem evoluído na nossa escola nestes cinco anos?

Directora: Noto perfeitamente que na primeira sessão do PEJ, já que eu tenho acompanhado este projecto, os alunos estavam muito mais tímidos. Mesmo a nível da organização esta também não era tão profissional, não tinham tanto “à vontade” como têm agora para discutir estes assuntos. Acho que à medida que o tempo tem passado, os alunos cada vez se têm portado melhor, estão cada vez mais preparados e com mais consciência do que vêm fazer exactamente aqui.

Journo: Pretende dar continuidade a este projecto nos anos futuros?

Directora: Claro que sim, enquanto eu estiver na Direcção. É um projecto que eu costumo até dar como exemplo nas outras escolas, pois temos um projecto que sabe direccionar-se para outros alunos.

Journo: É portanto, uma fonte de orgulho para a nossa escola...

Directora: É um orgulho para a nossa escola, mesmo! E continua em constante evolução. No ano passado fizemos a primeira sessão direccionada aos alunos do 9º ano, o que eu acho muito importante para o futuro dos alunos. É pena este projecto não ser ainda mais expandido, principalmente entre as mulheres que não são tão afluentes na política. Seria um gosto ver uma das nossas alunas num cargo político!

Euroconcert

The great moment was approaching... The moment everyone was waiting for... Not even teambuilding could save them now. It was time!

It all started with a video (ahem, very well done by the way) and just because it wasn't allowed for the Journos Team to participate in the Euroconcert, we made our own small party after that. But it only contributed to the confusion of those who had no idea about what was going on and what exactly EYP was ...

And so, three beautiful girls and three handsome boys appeared to show them the path to understanding...



Guiding our every step, they left us drunk with amazement thanks to the performance of the Committee on Youth, then they took us to France where a suspicious looking gypsy tried to seduce the audience (some say it was EMPL to blame for letting *her* loose)... And while we returned, we almost "looked on the bright side of death" when a crazy driver almost ran us over with his dangerous pink bicycle! Hey! We have rights, you know?!

And then, after we had tried to wake up from a coma, organizers saved us with their amazing performance that made all the audience "die" with laughter... Absolutely brilliant! They sure can act as well as organize!

While we were still recovering and sweeping the tears of our eyes, our hosts introduced us to a "Go green" concert, courtesy of ENVI (yeah, true stars can be green too), followed by the spirited CIVILians that made everyone stand for the survival of humanitarians, not even the naughty curtains and tricky wires could stop them!

And then, out of nowhere, two completely "random" people were chosen to show their talent. Mariana Pereira, with her voice of an angel, and "the other", whoever he was, stood up for the challenge without a doubt.

The clock was ticking, the day was slipping away and it remained one last performance: the chairs'. They did not act, they did not sing, they did nothing except act the reality we were living, sing the feelings we were feeling... With their emotional speech, we felt the weight and the fullness of PEJ in our hearts... This day gave us so much and it was slowly slipping away, like English turning to português, lentamente, e we truly understood que "o PEJ é o dia em que temos medo de fechar os olhos à noite com medo que ele acabe"...

É altura para dizer àqueles que estavam a sofrer de cold feet antes do PEJ e agora começam a sentir os efeitos do Post-EYP-Depression, um tender "I told you so"...



Darklady

What did you



Ao longo do dia, existem sempre aqueles deslizes, que acontecem a qualquer um...

“Catastrophers” – delegate (CIVIL)

“Develóped” – delegate (ENVI)

“Quenowledge” – delegate (CIVIL)

“Punchment” (instead of punishment) – delegate (CIVIL)

“Axoxiaxon” – delegate (YOUTH)

“Aprótche” – delegate (EMPL)

... ou então aquelas expressões que não se sabe ao certo de onde vieram...

“Escreve qualquer coisa abananada!” – **Journo para o Editor, logo após teambuilding**

“Estalei o osso da sobrançelha...” – **Journo**

“Foi tão rápido que até parece que bebi um shot de trina de limão” - **Journo**

Cantinho do Riki Nando

⚡ "Cuidado com aqueles moços do mesmo comité que batem palmas muito alto, para se pensar que houve muitos aplausos, quando na realidade mais ninguém aplaudiu!"

⚡ "Cuidado com aqueles moços que tanto querem fazer os outros rir com a sua actuação e acabam eles por se rir da sua própria figura!"

⚡ "Cuidado com aqueles moços que, quando apresentam o PEJ, têm nome, mas quando vão actuar, já se chamam «o outro»!"

⚡ "Cuidado com aqueles moços que vão assistir ao PEJ, não percebendo nada de Inglês, para ver apenas as pessoas a levantar-se e a Mariana Neves e a Joana Sousa a dar o microfone, enquanto nos presenteiam com a bela vista das suas coxinhas!"

⚡ "Cuidado com aquelas moças que calçam um número acima da média e depois não levam nada para trocar os saltos altos e andam à rasca ao fim do dia!"

EYP Awards



A estrela da sessão – André Teixeira

O melhor delegado – Miguel Rodrigues

A delegada com melhor postura – Tânia Silva


O delegado mais caricato – Paulino Garcia

O delegado mais carismático – Tiago Nogueira

A melhor vestida para o cargo – Rita Seguro

A mais trabalhadora – Ana Biltes

Os verdadeiros vencedores – Todos nós ☺



And the
winner is...

**Committee
on Human
Rights**