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**What did you learn that you didn't know before?**  
Thais and Swedes do have some major differences in terms of lifestyle and personality. Thais are said to be very relaxed and laid back. In contrast, the Swedes as witnessed are more systematic and treasure punctuality in their culture. However, Swedes and Thais are also similar in many ways. Swedes are like Thais very kind, polite, helpful and conservative but to their conservativeness, they often prefer to stay in their own group. Often they do not mingle with Thais or any other nations.

**What was your biggest surprise about Sweden?**  
We were surprised by the cleanness and pollution free environment, the systematic lifestyle and the punctuality of the transportation system. However, what we found

to be strange was that compared to Bangkok, which never sleeps, everything in Sweden seemed to shut down after dusk. It took quite some time to adjust to that.

**What did you get out of your time in Sweden?**  
The experience taught me to become independent and stand on my own two feet since Swedish students are individualists and more independent. I also feel that the experience has broadened up my perspectives about different cultures. In my class I had to work with people from many different countries and I learned how necessary it is to adapt and adjust ourselves in order to work in a group. It prepared me for a real challenge in work life and helped me advance; Not only on a personal level but also in terms of my career opportunities.

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