

**NAETINEM, Erasmus+ Project**  
**Educational Activity**  
**Toolkit for secondary school teachers**



<b>Name of activity:</b>	<b>National Identity and Caves in Slovakia</b>		
<b>Educational objective:</b>	Acquainting the students with caves in Slovakia		
<b>Qualities in focus:</b>	National identity and culture		
<b>Target group, age of the students:</b>	14–15 years of age		
<b>Suitable for:</b>	National History ,Geography and Civics		
<b>Teaching aids, preparation:</b>	Pictures, videos, cultural sources		
<b>Time needed:</b>	1 unit (45 minutes)		
<b>Description of activity:</b>	<p>At the beginning of the lesson, we will briefly explain the roles and functions of caves in Slovakia. Only few countries are so blessed with the number of caves. You can find more than 6 200 caves in Slovakia. Till now, 400 caves are explored. The world under the ground is exciting. It's like entering totally new planet...it's like entering the paradise...underground paradise. Only few countries are so blessed with the number of caves as Slovakia is. The country has more than 6 200 caves, people are still discovering new ones. Till now, 400 caves are explored. It was quite hard to choose only 10 of them, but we somehow managed it. Are you excited to check them out? From the point of view of history, we will highlight how individual caves in Slovakia were formed. We will outline their connection with the Slovak culture and identity of the Slovak nation. We can present individual natural caves on the attached videos and pictorial materials. The lecture will be conducted in English and we assume that the topic is appropriately designed for students who speak English. We can also provide a Slovak version of the text for Slovak language holders. We can encourage students to talk about Slovak national identity and Slovak natural heritage.</p> <p>The last part of unit represents a feedback test, which determines the level of acquired knowledge.</p>		
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<b>Own reflections:</b>	<p>At the beginning of the lesson, we will briefly explain the value of natural heritage in general and the impact on the national identity of the individual nations that live in each current state. From the point of view of history, we will highlight how individual caves in Slovakia were formed and created. We will outline their connection with the Slovak culture and identity of the Slovak nation. We can present individual caves on the attached videos and pictorial materials. The lecture will be conducted in English and we assume that the topic is appropriately designed for students who speak English. We can also provide a Slovak version of the text for Slovak language holders. We can encourage students to talk</p>		

	about Slovak national identity and Slovak caves.
<b>Enclosures:</b>	Presentation (.ppt), pictures (.jpg)  <a href="https://ecobnb.com/blog/2020/08/caves-slovakia/">https://ecobnb.com/blog/2020/08/caves-slovakia/</a>



Demanovská cave



Belianska cave



Dobšinská Ice cave