As of last night all 24 countries in the Euro 2016 tournament had played their opening games.

The full list: France, Romania, Albania, Switzerland, Wales, Slovakia, England, Russia, Poland, Northern Ireland, Germany, Ukraine, Turkey, Croatia, Spain, Czech Republic, Ireland, Sweden, Belgium, Italy, Austria, Hungary, Portugal and Iceland.

Now pick one. Think about which country you would most like to go to if you could.

Then think why? What is it about that country that you are attracted to? Is it the people, the food, the sun, the scenery, footballers or teams, the cities, books you’ve read, things other people have told you about it? Or, do you have a friend or a classmate from that country? Why do you want to go?

Talk about where you’d like to go, and why, in groups in your class. Then make a list of what those reasons are. Do a bit a research in books or online to find out more, if you have time.

Finally, write 100 words about it, using your list to help you explain why you’d like to go there. It could be the first step you make to actually going there one day. Then share them with the rest of the class.