

A VISIT TO INSTITUTO CERVANTES



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21 September 2012. The Espansia Club organized a one-day educational trip to Instituto Cervantes in Damansara Heights, Kuala Lumpur on 21 September 2012. Instituto Cervantes de Kuala Lumpur is a resource center, which serves anyone interested to learn about Spain, its language, culture and other Spanish-speaking countries. The institute was established in 1991 in Spain, and it is the largest worldwide Spanish teaching organization with over 40 branches in four continents.

The objectives of the program were to provide the participants with opportunities for direct interaction with the native speakers, exposure to its culture and uniqueness. In addition, this program exposes the members of the Spanish Club to a variety of learning contexts.

37 members of the Espansia Club accompanied by the club's advisor, Azlina Mohd Ariffin participated in the program. Upon arrival, the participants were welcomed by Susana MartínezVellón, a qualified Spanish teacher from the institute. In the introduction session, all participants were requested to introduce themselves in Spanish. Then, they were showed films about places, people, culture, buildings, history and festivals in Spain. To make the afternoon more interesting, participants played Bingo game by pronouncing the numbers in Spanish. All participants expressed their joy and satisfaction with the visit and activities organized by the institute, and wished for another opportunity for a second visit.