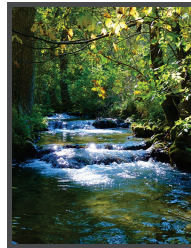


Tourism in Finland is active though not as powerful as e.g. in France or in Spain. In year 2014 there were 5,7 million overnight stays made by the tourists (<http://www.visitfinland.fi/tutkimukset-ja-tilastot/majoitustilastot/>). Most of them come from Russian but there are people arriving also from e.g. Sweden, Germany, Great Britain and Japan, most recently also from India (53 000 overnight stays).

Most popular things to explore are our wild and pure nature, Lapland (both winter and summer time), skiing centers and culture (e.g. architecture and Opera festivals). Finland is famous for the names like Alvar Aalto (architecture), Moomin (cartoon characters made by Tove Jansson) and Santa Claus. If people are travelling to central Finland they will most probably visit one of the thousands lakes, spend time in summer cottages and enjoy the pure nature. (Go and see <http://www.visitfinland.com/about-us/>).



Distances

- **Matti wants to exercise by biking his way from his house to school and back. The distance is 39,4 km in one way. How many kilometres he bikes in one week?**
- **Matti and Helinä want to visit Comenius group in Aurillac, France. First they take the train from Jyväskylä to Helsinki, then a plane from Helsinki to Paris, then a plane from Paris to Clermont-Ferrand and then train again to Aurillac. Find out how many kilometres they have to travel.**
- **Pupils are training for athletics meeting. They run as many rounds on the field as they can. One round is 400 metres. Juuso runs 5,4 times around the field. How many meters does he run?**

Coming together

Because of the Comenius project the two schools in Finland (Oravasaari and Ylämäki) has also co-operated. Ylämäki school paid a visit to Oravasaari school in spring time and pupils spent one mathematical day together working with different tasks. Those were: learning math songs, measuring, making geometrical shapes out of modeling clay, playing math games and visiting school museum and its old items. Children seemed to learn many useful skills while getting to know each others - and playing!

A day at Oravasaari school



Singing



Molding



Measuring