

# ERASMUS Full STEAM Ahead Parent Survey Results

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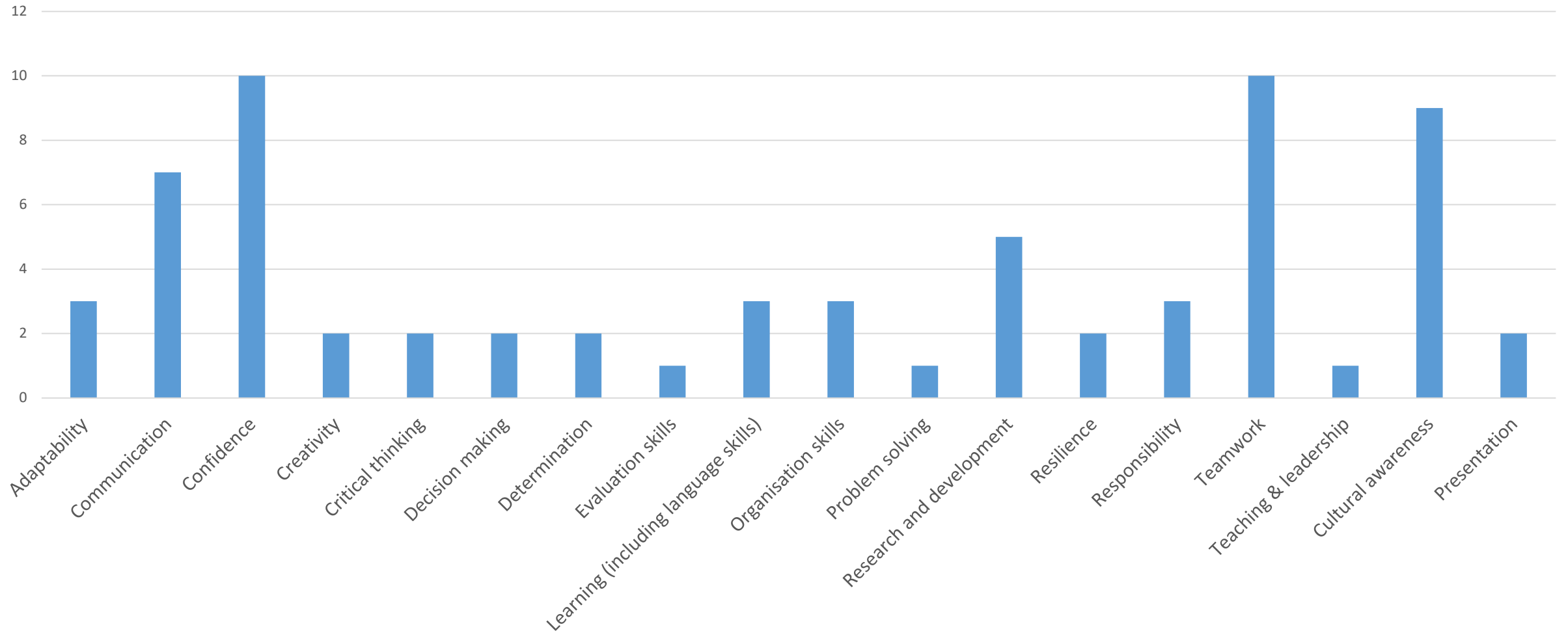
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# Q1. List the top 5 skills your child has developed as a direct result of their participation in this project?



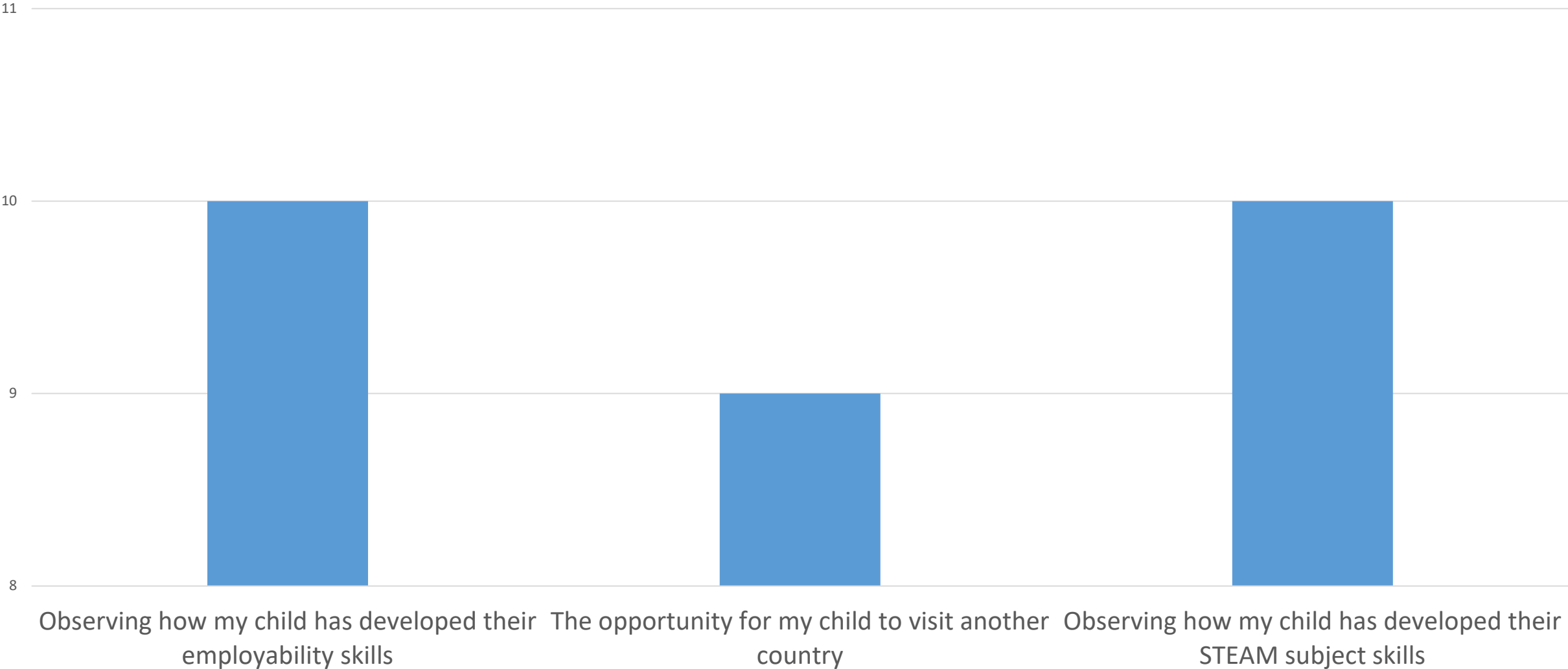
# Q2. Please comment on the impact this project has had on your child.

- My daughter has grown in confidence and awareness and as also been inquisitive of cultural development.
- She has really enjoyed the experience
- Freya was very unsure about the exchange as she was really nervous about being in someone else's home. She absolutely loved staying with her host family and experiencing the Spanish culture.
- This has been a fantastic project for my daughter. There have been so many different benefits, its hard to list them all. Some highlights are: teamwork (on interesting projects!), exposure to different working environments and careers and of course the cultural aspects- working with other countries& cultures, staying with a Spanish family etc to name a few!
- The trip to Germany (together with a previous Spanish exchange) has made her more self-reliant and mature.
- A chance to understand Spanish culture, families and gain independence, most of all a sense of belonging to a group he feels part of.
- The opportunity to visit some technical businesses and training institutions has been inspiring.
- Its been an invaluable experience for my son particularly concerning understanding career options and what opportunities available.
- Isaac has had opportunities to experience projects and subjects that he wouldn't usually have put himself forward for.
- Positive impact re exploration and awareness of STEAM career options and development of confidence, independence and cultural awareness.
- Gabriel has felt like part of a team and the project has helped to broaden his horizons through the exchange programme and visits to industrial settings. It has encouraged him to think about future career plans and consolidated his love of science, creativity and communication skills.
- It has made her more resourceful and knowledgeable about other countries and cultures
- It has given him a much broader world-view.
- It's made Oliver more confident

# Q3. Please comment on the impact this project has had on you as a parent/carer.

- It has made me ware of opportunities for kids and future
- I have enjoyed listening to what she has leant
- Not really sure. Had we had the opportunity to host I think the impact on us would be more.
- I have been delighted that my daughter has had the opportunity to do a lot of things that we would not have been able to do so easily for her. It has been great to see her enjoy learning about STEAM related jobs that she might previously have been unaware of.
- Impressed with the whole project and the way it has benefited our daughter. It has made us realise that she can look after herself, and also look after others.
- I'm proud my son has committed to the scheme and enjoyed the whole experience
- To be honest, it has all happened very conveniently in the background, and made very little impact on me.
- Its brought our family and the school together in such a positive way. Its been excellent.
- We were impressed to see the range of opportunities for the children and were very appreciative of the amount of hard work and good organisation that was involved from the project leaders.
- Hosting foreign students was interesting and developed my cultural awareness.
- I've been really impressed by the commitment of the staff and have felt very confident in sending my child out into the world with them! I have also felt very proud of my son as I've seen him embrace opportunities for independence through this project.
- I am happy that my child had gained experience about traveling alone to another country, as well as communication skills by meeting and befriending the other STEAM ambassadors
- It has been a pleasure to see Oscar involved in things outside of his normal focus and interest and growing from that exposure.
- Watching Oliver develop more confidence has been great

# Q4. What have you most enjoyed/found rewarding about participating in this project?



# Q5. What (if anything) have you least enjoyed or found challenging?

- Due to the current (pandemic) situation we didn't get to host and meet Freya's Spanish partner.
- Initially it was difficult to not worry about her when she was travelling and staying abroad. It was also a shame that we could not host the German students because of the Covid 19 pandemic.
- Nothing
- Probably my son's protests about having to engage with the 'A' (art) part of STEAM! (He would prefer it to be STEM only!)
- Nothing
- Was sad not to experience the culmination of the project with the children.
- Frustrating, but unavoidable that the exchange to the UK was cancelled.
- It's all been very positive

# Q6. If you were to take part in another similar project in future, what (if anything) would you like to change?

- Nothing, except maybe Covid!
- There seems to have been a really long time between Freya's visit to Spain and the return visit (unfortunately cancelled) here.
- Nothing
- No change
- Because my child has a fairly clear idea of what he'd like to do in the future, a project geared more specifically towards just engineering would be great (but I understand that that may be a little narrow for many students of this age).
- I don't think I could ask for anything more! I think Gabriel has been very privileged to take part in this enriching experience.
- Seeing it through to completion - not a criticism of the Meadowhead team (Covid prevented this)
- I wouldn't change anything

# Q7. Do you have any other comments for our websites?

If you get the opportunity to take part in this programme, grab it with both hands.

Fantastic opportunities!

A fantastic opportunity to develop skills in the most important areas of a young person's life, a chance to do an exchange but also learn about culture, employment and families in another country is valuable, our children need to understand more why globalisation is important.

I would highly recommend the ERASMUS Full STEAM Ahead programme. It offered many exciting and sociable opportunities for my daughter to explore and gain insight into a variety of career options, and the foreign exchange trips developed her communication and relationship skills, independence and cultural awareness.

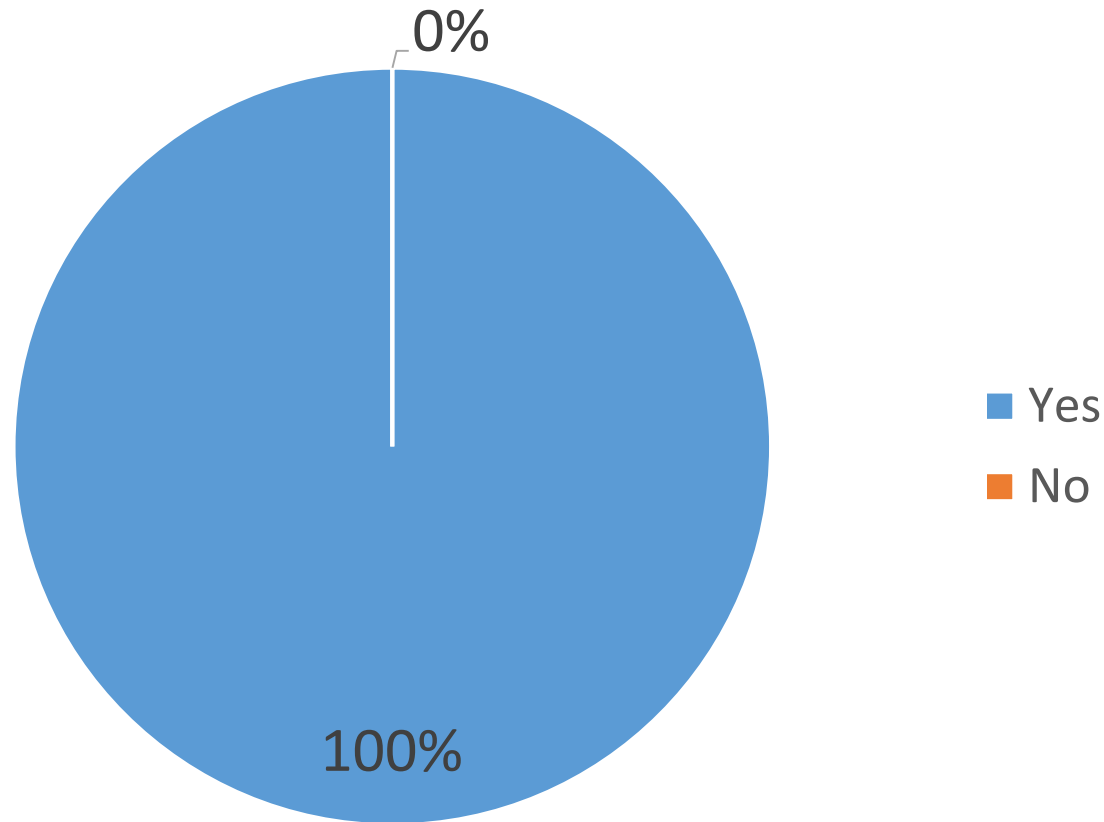
It was one of the most rewarding experiences in Sarah's school career!

The STEAM project has been such an enriching experience for my son. Everybody involved in the project has shown so much commitment and care for the kids, extending their Meadowhead experience with inspirational activities, collaborations and trips. I'm so grateful that he had the opportunity to take part.

A fantastic scheme for broadening horizons and developing skills that are not covered in the usual academic curriculum.



Q8. Would you recommend ERASMUS to other parents to encourage their child to take part in similar international projects in future?



*Yes!*