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I've very much enjoyed my time in France so far. We arrived in early February and started classes a week after our arrival. Classes have proven to be pretty interesting, and the teachers are pretty cool. It's really different from being in an American classroom as far as the teaching styles and grading methods. Anything above a 10/20 is good, and if you receive even a 14/20 you're doing superbly. I feel as though I've really improved in my French, and even began to feel that way just a few weeks into the classes.

Dijon itself is a fun little town. We've spent a good portion of our time here walking around centre ville, as that's the main shopping area. Now that the weather's improved, there are a lot of cafes that are nice to sit at if you just want to spend some time relaxing outside. During the weekends, the main bar street is rue Berbesy. Our particular favorite is Byron Bay, an Australian bar where we've met a lot of different people, almost all of them French (which is more difficult than one would think). We've also met a good amount of other international students through our classes, and I now hang out with a Korean, an Ecuadorian, and Chinese students between classes. So far I'm loving France and excited about my next two months!!