The famous New York writer Paul Auster published this month a new novel of 1024 pages named 4-3-2-1.

In this book we follow the life of one character: Archie Ferguson with four different lives. The main question is what could have been our life if we had taken other paths? Are we so different from what we could have been if we had used our original capital differently? He has always been fascinated by chance and destiny and this is reflected in his writing, which is once again imbued with it in 4-3-2-1.

So on Wednesday 17th January at 10am we went to meet Paul Auster and his wife Siri Husted who is also a famous novelist at the conference room of the Chartreux institution. Each student from the various high schools present could ask a couple of questions about their books, their writing process, and even their opinions on different subjects such as feminism or the current policy in the world.

Asking Paul or Siri questions was really good because they always started a kind of debate among themselves. I appreciated the fact that each student had the right to speak, the two authors did not appear to be arrogant in any way and answered each question carefully. I personally greatly appreciated the experience and I think that our school was very fortunate to be able to participate.

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