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# UNION

## KNOWLEDGE AROUND EUROPE

The European Union represents unity and a shared understanding of values. That is why it is very interesting to know as much as possible about the direct and indirect neighbours on the continent – everything from interesting facts to the broader issues.



2+  
Players



20-30  
Minutes



Ages  
14+



This game was developed by students in the Industrial Design course at the University of Wuppertal as part of the project “Perspectives in Play”, which has been funded by the German Federal Foreign Office. The project aims to develop games that turn different aspects of politics into an interactive experience. You will find all the games in the series at [www.perspectives-in-play.com](http://www.perspectives-in-play.com). For more information on the German Federal Foreign Office and its programmes, please visit [www.diplo.de/aussenpolitiklive](http://www.diplo.de/aussenpolitiklive).



Warning: Contains small parts that can be swallowed. Not suitable for children under 3.

# CONTENTS

First, cut out all the cards and tokens along the dotted lines. Shuffle the cards and place them on a pile, face down. Sort the tokens by team symbol and place them next to the board, which both teams must be able to reach.

----- Cut

## INCLUDED

 96 cards

 48 tokens

 1 board

## REQUIRED

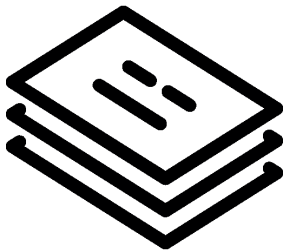
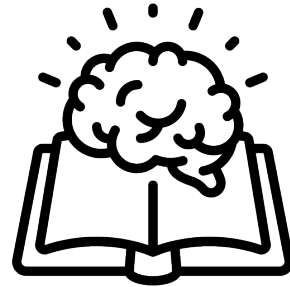
 1 pair of scissors



# GAMEPLAY

## Game concept

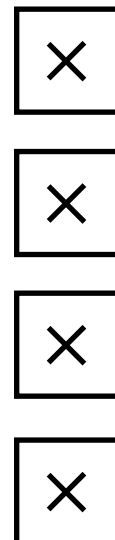
Union combines a thirst for knowledge from the question cards with tactical moves and flexibility on the board. The categories dealing with the continent of Europe are General, Records, Trivia, and Laws. First, determine which team will start (the first “active” team).




























At the beginning of a round, the “passive” team draws a card from the pile and tells which category it is in. Next, the active team selects the field on the board to be played in the category (e.g., B4, in the General category here). The passive team reads the questions and possible answers out loud and the active team says which answer is the correct one.

## Aim of the game

If the answer is correct, the active team can put one of its own tokens on the field. But if the answer is incorrect, the field automatically goes to the passive team and the roles change for the next round. The first team to place four of its own tokens in a vertical, horizontal or diagonal row wins the game.



# BOARD

	A	B	C	D	E
1					
2					
3					
4					
5					

 Laws

 Records

 Trivia

 General



# TOKENS

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# CARDS

## Laws

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What are men in Italy not allowed to wear?

- a) Stockings
- b) Skirts
- c) Hats

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Correct answer: b)

## Trivia

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The Eiffel Tower in Paris is repainted regularly. That happens every...

- a) 7 years
- b) 12 years
- c) 25 years

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Correct answer: a)

## Records

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The narrowest hotel in the world is in Amberg, Bavaria, with a width of...

- a) 7 m
- b) 2.5 m
- c) 1 m

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Correct answer: b)

## Records

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What is the longest river in Europe?

- a) Volga
- b) Danube
- c) Ural

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Correct answer: a) 3,530 km

## General

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Which body of water surrounds Norway?

- a) Baltic Sea
- b) European North Sea
- c) Atlantic Ocean

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Correct answer: b)

## General

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Which island is to the south-west of mainland Italy?

- a) Sardinia
- b) Majorca
- c) Sicily

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Correct answer: c)



## Trivia

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Where is it prohibited to purchase alcohol on Election Day?

- a) Norway
- b) Switzerland
- c) Denmark

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Correct answer: a)

## General

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What is the capital of Estonia?

- a) Riga
- b) Tallinn
- c) Vilnius

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Correct answer: b)

## General

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The total area of Europe is approximately...

- a) 3.5 m km<sup>2</sup>
- b) 10 m km<sup>2</sup>
- c) 23 m km<sup>2</sup>

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Correct answer: b)

## General

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Which country is located between France and Spain?

- a) Lichtenstein
- b) Andorra
- c) Luxembourg

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Correct answer: b)

## General

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How many Member States are in the European Union (in 2020)?

- a) 23
- b) 26
- c) 27

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Correct answer: c)

## General

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Approximately how many people live in the European Union (in 2020)?

- a) 350 million
- b) 446 million
- c) 753 million

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Correct answer: b)

## Laws

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Which city is the home of the European Court of Justice?

- a) Brussels
- b) Munich
- c) Luxembourg

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Correct answer: c)

## Trivia

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How long does a ride last on the London Eye Ferris wheel in London?

- a) 15 min.
- b) 30 min.
- c) 45 min.

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Correct answer: b)

## Records

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With 15 million visitors annually, the most-visited European attraction is...

- a) Eiffel Tower
- b) Colosseum
- c) Disneyland Paris

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Correct answer: c)



## General

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How often are elections to the European Parliament held?

- a) Every 4 years
- b) Every 5 years
- c) Every 6 years

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Correct answer: b)

## Records

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What is the proportion of Swedish surnames that end in “-son”?

- a) One quarter
- b) One third
- c) Half

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Correct answer: b)

## Laws

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Where is kissing on train platforms officially prohibited?

- a) Vienna
- b) Paris
- c) Madrid

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Correct answer: b)

## General

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What is the capital of Slovakia?

- a) Belgrade
- b) Budapest
- c) Bratislava

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Correct answer: c)

## Records

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How much money lands in Rome's Trevi Fountain every day?

- a) 4,000 euros
- b) 8,000 euros
- c) 12,000 euros

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Correct answer: a)

## Trivia

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How many stanzas does the Greek national hymn have?

- a) 74
- b) 110
- c) 158

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Correct answer: c)

## Trivia

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Which city has five times as many bridges as Venice?

- a) Rotterdam
- b) Hamburg
- c) Lisbon

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Correct answer: b) 2,500 bridges

## Laws

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Which country prohibits keeping one or more windows open after you park your car?

- a) Netherlands
- b) Spain
- c) Italy

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Correct answer: c) (fine of up to 161 euros)

## Laws

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What is prohibited on Heligoland, Germany, in the summer months?

- a) Eating ice cream
- b) Loud music
- c) Riding a bicycle

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Correct answer: c)





## Laws

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In which country is internet access a fundamental right?

- a) Poland
- b) Estonia
- c) Italy

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Correct answer: b)

## Records

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With a total area of 0.44 km<sup>2</sup>, which country is the smallest one in Europe?

- a) Iceland
- b) Vatican City
- c) Luxembourg

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Correct answer: b)

## Laws

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In which country is the penalty for speeding dependent on the driver's income?

- a) Finland
- b) Ireland
- c) Bulgaria

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Correct answer: a)

## Trivia

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Night photos of this attraction may not be published for commercial purposes. Which one is it?

- a) Atomium in Brussels
- b) Leaning Tower of Pisa
- c) Eiffel Tower in Paris

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Correct answer: c)

## Records

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At an elevation of 4,807 m, which mountain is the highest in Europe?

- a) Zugspitze
- b) Mont Blanc
- c) Matterhorn

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Correct answer: b)

## Records

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How many countries does the Danube River flow through?

- a) 8
- b) 10
- c) 4

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Correct answer: b)

## Trivia

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In which European country do the people have the longest average life expectancy: 83?

- a) Slovenia
- b) Denmark
- c) Spain

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Correct answer: c)

## Laws

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What are you not allowed to call your pig in France?

- a) Napoleon
- b) Baptiste
- c) Jean-Claude

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Correct answer: a)

## General

---

Which active volcano is the highest in Europe, with an altitude of 3,323 m above sea level?

- a) Etna
- b) Vesuvius
- c) Eyjafjallajökull

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Correct answer: a)



## Trivia

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In which European country do the people have the shortest life expectancy: 67?

- a) Romania
- b) Ukraine
- c) Russia

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Correct answer: b)

## General

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Which group of islands does not belong to Spain?

- a) Balearics
- b) Azores
- c) Canary Islands

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Correct answer: b) (Portuguese)

## General

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Which is the largest European lake with an area of almost 18,000 km<sup>2</sup>?

- a) Lake Ladoga
- b) Lake Garda
- c) Lake Geneva

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Correct answer: a)

## Laws

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What is prohibited on public squares in Greece?

- a) Playing sports
- b) Using the telephone
- c) Playing Gameboy

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Correct answer: c)

## Laws

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What do you have to pay a one-off fine of 14 cents for doing in Austria?

- a) Demolishing a building
- b) Having a noble title
- c) Improper parking

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Correct answer: b)

## Trivia

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Which country's citizens travelled 68.7 million times on holiday in 2016?

- a) Germany
- b) France
- c) Italy

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Correct answer: a)

## General

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Which country acceded to the EU as the last of the 27 Member States in 2013?

- a) Croatia
- b) Albania
- c) Slovenia

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Correct answer: a)

## General

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Which EU country has the most islands?

- a) Greece
- b) Sweden
- c) Finland

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Correct answer: b) (221,831 islands)

## Records

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What is the oldest book printed in Germany?

- a) Codex Abrogans
- b) The Bible
- c) Map of Trier

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Correct answer: b)



## Trivia

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By how many hours can the time change on a journey through Europe?

- a) 2
- b) 4
- c) 6

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Correct answer: b)

## Records

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With a depth of 514 m, which lake is Europe's deepest?

- a) Hornindalsvatnet
- b) Lake Annecy
- c) Lake Como

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Correct answer: a)

## General

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With 18,648 residents per km<sup>2</sup>, which country has the highest population density?

- a) Vatican City
- b) Lichtenstein
- c) Monaco

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Correct answer: c)

## Laws

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Which holiday island prohibits the wearing of flip flops?

- a) Santorini
- b) Capri
- c) Mykonos

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Correct answer: b)

## Records

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How many continents have the Mediterranean Sea as their border?

- a) 2
- b) 3
- c) 4

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Correct answer: b)

## Trivia

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In which country do the people work 42.2 hours per week on average, the longest in the EU?

- a) Greece
- b) Poland
- c) Norway

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Correct answer: a)

## Laws

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In which country are trees prohibited on football fields by law?

- a) Italy
- b) Portugal
- c) Germany

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Correct answer: c)

## General

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With 3.2 residents per km<sup>2</sup>, which country has the lowest population density?

- a) Ireland
- b) Iceland
- c) Luxembourg

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Correct answer: b)

## Trivia

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Which country is home to the tallest people, on average?

- a) Germany
- b) Sweden
- c) Netherlands

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Correct answer: c)



## General

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Which country is not in the EU but uses the euro as its national currency anyway?

- a) Latvia
- b) Montenegro
- c) Iceland

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Correct answer: b)

## Laws

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Which country forbids people to wear shoes with high heels when visiting antiquities?

- a) Greece
- b) Italy
- c) Croatia

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Correct answer: a)

## Trivia

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Which country considers Tuesday the 13th an unlucky day?

- a) Poland
- b) Serbia
- c) Spain

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Correct answer: c)

## Records

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Where is Europe's largest stadium with almost 100,000 seats located?

- a) Barcelona
- b) London
- c) Lisbon

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Correct answer: c)

## Records

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How many residents does Europe's smallest city, Hum in Croatia, have?

- a) 30
- b) 12
- c) 80

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Correct answer: a)

## General

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In which country is the EU's westernmost point located (not counting overseas territories)?

- a) Spain
- b) Portugal
- c) Ireland

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Correct answer: c)

## Laws

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Which city prohibits people from eating packed lunches in public?

- a) Vienna
- b) Luxembourg
- c) Rome

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Correct answer: c)

## Records

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Which country has the largest continuous forest with 75% coverage?

- a) Sweden
- b) Poland
- c) Estonia

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Correct answer: a)

## Trivia

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Wales has three times more of something than people. What is it?

- a) Lanterns
- b) Cars
- c) Sheep

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Correct answer: c)



## General

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Which city is the capital of Cyprus?

- a) Valletta
- b) Nicosia
- c) Athens

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Correct answer: b)

## Laws

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In which country do you have to check whether someone is underneath your vehicle before driving away?

- a) Denmark
- b) Czech Republic
- c) Cyprus

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Correct answer: a)

## Trivia

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What was the British oil and gas giant Shell's original business?

- a) Growing crops
- b) Selling shells
- c) Repairing bicycles

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Correct answer: b)

## Records

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In which city is Europe's largest port located?

- a) Hamburg
- b) Rome
- c) Rotterdam

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Correct answer: c)

## Laws

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What are you not allowed to do on the beach in Eraclea, Italy?

- a) Listen to music
- b) Build sand castles
- c) Spread out towels

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Correct answer: b)

## General

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Stockholm is the capital of which country?

- a) Norway
- b) Finland
- c) Sweden

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Correct answer: c)

## General

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Which EU country has the smallest total population?

- a) Malta
- b) Cyprus
- c) Luxembourg

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Correct answer: b) (population: 500,000)

## Records

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Europe's deepest gorge plunges 1,300 m into the earth. Where is it?

- a) Athens
- b) Tirana
- c) Montenegro

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Correct answer: a)

## Trivia

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How many deserts does Europe have?

- a) None
- b) 1
- c) 2

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Correct answer: a)



## Records

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The longest coastline in Europe stretches for 58,000 km. In which country is it located?

- a) Italy
- b) Norway
- c) Portugal

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Correct answer: b)

## Laws

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What can't you do in a car in Italy unless you are on your own property?

- a) Kissing
- b) Drinking
- c) Singing

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Correct answer: a)

## General

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How many official languages does the EU have?

- a) 24
- b) 21
- c) 17

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Correct answer: a)

## Records

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Which country is home to the highest shifting sand dune (110 m)?

- a) France
- b) Iceland
- c) Belarus

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Correct answer: a)

## Trivia

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Where do you nod to say no and shake your head yes?

- a) Albania
- b) Belgium
- c) Austria

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Correct answer: a)

## General

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What is the capital of Malta?

- a) Nicosia
- b) Valletta
- c) Malta

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Correct answer: b)

## Records

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Which European country has the highest per capita potato consumption?

- a) Germany
- b) Latvia
- c) Ireland

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Correct answer: b)

## Laws

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What activity is expressly forbidden in Venice?

- a) Swimming
- b) Feeding the doves
- c) Taking photos

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Correct answer: b)

## Trivia

---

Which mountain is home to the highest toilet in Europe at 4,000 m?

- a) Zugspitze
- b) Mont Blanc
- c) Grossglockner

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Correct answer: b)



## Records

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Which county inside Europe only has the largest area?

- a) Germany
- b) Spain
- c) Ukraine

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Correct answer: c)

## General

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What is the second-largest island nation in Europe?

- a) Ireland
- b) Iceland
- c) Latvia

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Correct answer: b)

## Laws

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What do taxi drivers in London have to have in their boots?

- a) Hay bundles
- b) Parmesan cheese
- c) Perfume

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Correct answer: a)

## Records

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How many minutes does it take to cross Monaco from east to west on foot?

- a) 30
- b) 45
- c) 60

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Correct answer: b)

## Records

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The most lopsided tower in Europe has an incline of over 5 degrees. In which country is it?

- a) Italy
- b) Germany
- c) Greece

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Correct answer: b)

## General

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Which river flows through Prague?

- a) Vltava
- b) Danube
- c) Elbe

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Correct answer: a)

## General

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Which country does not share a border with Bulgaria?

- a) Hungary
- b) Romania
- c) Serbia

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Correct answer: a)

## General

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Which of the following islands is the farthest south?

- a) Crete
- b) Malta
- c) Majorca

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Correct answer: a)

## Trivia

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Lichtenstein produces more of one product than any other country. What is it?

- a) High heels
- b) Loudspeakers
- c) False teeth

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Correct answer: c)



## Trivia

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The highest church tower in the world is 161 m. In which city is it located?

- a) Pisa
- b) Ulm
- c) Paris

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Correct answer: b)

## General

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To which country does the island La Gomera belong?

- a) Albania
- b) Greece
- c) Spain

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Correct answer: c)

## Laws

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Where is it prohibited to slam your car door shut?

- A) Switzerland
- b) Czech Republic
- c) Serbia

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Correct answer: a)

## General

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In how many EU Member States is the euro the official currency?

- a) 15
- b) 19
- c) 23

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Correct answer: b)

## Records

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Europe's largest school has 3,500 pupils. In which country is it located?

- a) Austria
- b) Slovakia
- c) Ukraine

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Correct answer: a)

## General

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To which country does the island Corsica belong?

- a) Italy
- b) Spain
- c) France

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Correct answer: c)

## Records

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In which country is the university with the largest student body located (approx. 200,000)?

- a) Great Britain
- b) Germany
- c) Hungary

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Correct answer: a)

## Laws

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For which of the following do you need a driving license in Italy?

- a) Roller skates
- b) Bicycle
- c) Skateboard

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Correct answer: b)

## Trivia

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How many people work in agriculture in the EU?

- a) 3.5 million
- b) 12 million
- c) 20 million

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Correct answer: c)

