



## THEME 3: Transformation processes

### Collection of materials

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#### Fact-based approach

#### What Europeans have in common

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#### Tf 310/1 Worksheet Team A **The European Union Quiz**

##### Exercise 1

##### Answer the following questions

1. How many countries does the EU have nowadays?
2. This capital city is famous for its beer, The Brandenburg gate and a wall which came down for good in November 1989. Can you guess?
3. The Athenian Statesman, Pericles, directed the construction of a very important temple in Greece. Do you remember its name?
4. Amsterdam is the capital of the Netherlands. However, the seat of the government is in another city. Can you name it?
5. Which three languages are spoken in Cyprus?
6. Michelangelo was one of the best-known Renaissance painters. Many of his greatest paintings decorate the ceiling and front wall of one of the Vatican's rooms. Can you guess its name?
7. Marie Curie, Frederic Chopin and Joseph Conrad are some well-known people born in the same country. Do you remember which country it is?
8. The capital of Hungary, Budapest, is divided into two parts, Buda and Pest, by a river? What's the name of this famous river?
9. The Beatles became the most popular rock group in music history. They consisted of a group of four Liverpudlians. What were their names?
10. A Bulgarian football player who played in Barcelona some years ago.

##### Exercise 2

Now prepare a multiple-choice quiz for team B. Use the questions and answers from exercise 1

Example: How many countries does the EU have nowadays?

- a. 15
- b. 25 (27)
- c. 30

**Try your hardest to be creative, and even amusing.**

### **Exercise 3**

**Exchange tests with team B and work together to complete team B's quiz.**

## **Tf 310/2 Worksheet Team B    [The European Union Quiz](#)**

### **Exercise 1**

**Answer the following questions**

1. When did Spain enter the EU?
2. Lech Walesa created this well-known Polish Union. Do you remember its name?
3. What is the name of the ancient Greek Philosopher who attempted to analyse the character of human life and who is remembered for his instruction to "Know thyself"?
4. The Appenine mountain range extends almost the entire length of this country. What country are we talking about?
5. What is the name of the Dutch artist who painted "*The Sunflowers*" and although he completed more than 800 oil paintings and 700 drawings, he sold only one?
6. The best known Cypriot singer.
7. The capital of this country is a Greek word which means *wisdom* in English.
8. Bela Bartok, Harry Houdini and Franz Liszt are three well-known people, what country did they come from?
9. Considered to be the greatest dramatist of all time, he wrote 154 sonnets and plays such as *Richard III*, *Henry IV* and *Romeo and Juliet*. What is his name?
10. Who was Johann Wolfgang von Goethe?

### **Exercise 2**

**Now prepare a multiple-choice quiz for team A. Use the questions and answers from exercise 1.**

Example:    When did Spain enter the EU?  
                  a. in 1995  
                  b. in 1986  
                  c. in 2004

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### **Exercise 3**

**Exchange tests with team A and work together to complete team A's quiz.**

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## **The world at the age of 18**

Adapted from Ferrán Sales, *El País Semanal*, n° 1468, domingo 14 de noviembre de 2004.

**Spain. Iñaki Recalde.**

**He will be 18 next 27<sup>th</sup> November. He lives in the residential area of Indautxu, in Bilbao. His father is a doctor, his mother works at home. He has two brothers. He is studying Business at the University of Deusto.**

“I was born in Bilbao, my parents were also born here and my four grandparents. I think this is the city where I want to live.[...] My mother is a housewife and my father works as a doctor in a outpatients` department. I have two younger brothers, one is 14 and the other 12. We all live together.[...] I have always studied in a Jesuit School, now I`m going to start my university course at the University of Deusto. I`m studying Business Administration. I`d like to be a business man. I`d like to work in something related to travelling and meeting people, perhaps, in a big hotels or restaurants chain.  
[...]

How would I define myself? I don`t know it very well. I like being alone, but also with people. I`ve got a few friends but good ones. I`m very selective. My mother says I`ve got a very...what is the word she uses?, steady character...I never get angry, and I`m not a violent person at all. Emotionally, I`m a well balanced person.  
[...]

My family is very protectionist, but they also let my brothers and me assume our own responsibilities. I like having a tranquil life. On Friday evenings, we like going to parties on campus. I play sports most of Saturday. I like all of them: tennis, swimming, football, cycling, jogging. I practise a lot of sports. [...] In the evening, I study and I go out with my friends; we talk and have something to drink. On Sundays, I go to church with my friends and brothers, I know this can be surprising. However, I`m not a religious person, I`ve got very personal beliefs. I believe in Jesus` values but I don`t think these values are exclusive to Christianity. I don`t know, I have some doubt. I can see how religion is used in a wrong way, in a very selfish way by some people. They hold on to it as if it were a life jacket.  
[...]

I read the newspapers every day; the section I`m less interested in is the one about politics. In general, I see politicians as very cheeky people. I know I can vote now, but the problem is that I don`t know to whom. There is no one who fulfils my expectations. On TV, I like watching sports, the news and some series such as “*Aquí no hay quien viva*” y *CSI*. The last book I`ve read is “*Da Vinci Code*”, impressive. I`ve got a computer in my room, but no, I`m not hooked on it. I prefer going out with my friends or moving to the sitting room to talk to my parents.  
[...]

Travelling? I`ve been very lucky to travel around a lot with my family. [...] I love travelling with my family. Eating nice food and playing sport is something that I wouldn`t change by anything in the world. In my trips, I`ve learnt that there are a lot of different people. I was shocked by Paris, and by Venetian nights. From Spain, I`ve also learnt about its diversity, it is the most beautiful thing it has: diversity.  
[...]

About the world, I feel sorry for the conflict between Israel and Palestine. As I`m also sorry for the conflict here between the Basque Country and Spain. How do you solve these conflicts? I think there is only one way: we all have to give something up.  
[...]

Something that I`m afraid of? Losing my physical height, getting blind, losing one leg, cancer, aids...I don`t now how I would react.”

**Spain. 41 million inhabitants. Annual income per capita: 14,500 \$. Adult literacy: 98%. Life expectancy: 79 years old. Teenagers under 15 years old: 14,4%.**

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**Getting to know: [Myself](#)**

IÑAKI'S PERSONALITY:

FAMILY:

EDUCATION:

WEEKENDS:

VALUES:

LIKES/HOBBIES:

WORRIES:

MY PERSONALITY:

FAMILY:

EDUCATION:

WEEKENDS:

VALUES:

LIKES/HOBBIES:

WORRIES:

**Tf 310/5****Getting to know: Myself (first option)**

The aim of this questionnaire is to find out what young people in Europe think about certain values which are supposed to be common in the EU. Therefore your honest opinion is very important. Write 1, 2 or 3 depending on your opinion.

1 = I agree    2 = I don't know    3 = I disagree

	What I believe	What I think they believe
1.	The most important thing in life is to be free to decide for oneself.	
2.	My parents restrict my freedom quite a lot.	
3.	The society in which I live gives me a lot of freedom.	
4.	Every country in the EU should be completely free to its own decisions.	
5.	Money is essential to be free.	
6.	In a democracy everyone should have equal rights.	
7.	Non-EU nationals with the right of permanent residency in an EU country should have the same rights as EU citizens.	
8.	A religion claiming to be better than others is a threat to peace.	
9.	My national identity is more important to me than European citizenship.	
10.	To ensure social peace in a country it is better if the population is homogenous and there are few foreigners.	
11.	Foreigners enrich society by bringing in new ideas.	
12.	There are clear principles of good and evil. These are valid for everyone everywhere.	
13.	It is a personal choice to wear religious symbols.	
14.	Standards of learning are lowered in class with many immigrants.	
15.	Human Rights should be more important than the rules of any religion.	

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**GROUP OPINIONS: Common Values (second option)****FIND OUT HOW MANY IN THE GROUP:**

	1	2	3	4	5
1. Have many friends					
2. Like being with people					
3. Do not study enough.					
4. Feel free					
5. Think money is not important					
6. Think we all have the same Human Rights					
7. Think some religious are better than others					
8. Like being Spanish					
9. Like being European					
10. Believe in any "God"					
11. Do not respect other people's religions					
12. Respect other opinions					
13. Use the dialogue to solve conflicts					
14. Do not worry about the Irak war					
15. Worry about immigration					
16. Think that foreigners enrich society by bringing in new idea					
17. Think that Human Rights are more important than religious rules					

**Then report back with:**

All of us: \_\_\_\_\_

Most of us: \_\_\_\_\_

Many of us: \_\_\_\_\_

Some of us: \_\_\_\_\_

A few of us: \_\_\_\_\_

Not many of us: \_\_\_\_\_

Hardly any of us: \_\_\_\_\_

None of us: \_\_\_\_\_