

The History and Institutions of the European Union

Student Level: High School

Subject: Social Science, World History

Objective:

1. Students will understand the history of the European Union (EU)
2. Students will be able to identify the institutions of the European Union

Materials:

1. Computers with reliable internet connection

Procedures:

1. Students will design three illustrated and comprehensive timeline murals to show the chronological and phased development of the EU. Key dates will be imposed on the mural from which students will work. The teacher has organized the timeline in three developmental stages
 - (a) Economic/Defense Strategy
 - (b) DeGaulle to Euro
 - (c) 1987 Single European Act to Enlargement
2. Divide students into three groups, one for each phase of time sequence for the development of the EU.
3. Each group will divide among its members the historical events, treaties, maps, issues, and institutions that have been a part of the assigned stage of development of the EU.
4. Each group member will research and collect illustrated data, photos, maps, charts, or anything to illustrate the major step in the development of the EU.
5. Each group will submit a bibliography for the research done by each member. The bibliography should be attached to the mural and represent each group member's efforts and findings.

Evaluation:

The project will be graded individually and as a group effort. Each individual will receive the following points.

Group Bibliography	20 points
Group Presentation of Mural	20 points
Individual Research Log	40 points
Individual Illustration	20 points