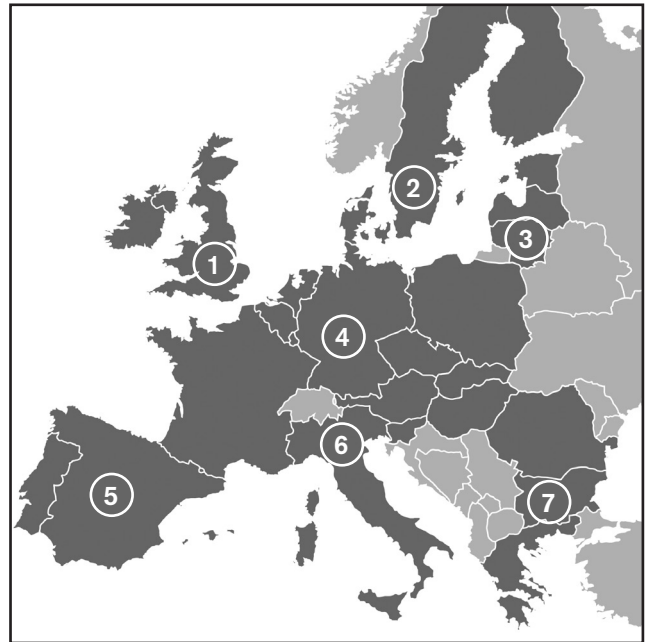


The European Union

1a Look at the map and write the names of these EU countries.

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Spain	<input type="text"/>
Germany	<input type="text"/>
the UK	<input type="text"/>
Sweden	<input type="text"/>
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1b Match the events to the dates on the timeline.

the 1950s

1957

the 1970s

the 1980s

the 1990s

1993

the 2000s

2002

- a** 12 countries introduced a new currency, the Euro.
- b** Three more countries joined: Austria, Finland and Sweden.
- c** Three more countries joined: Greece, Spain and Portugal.
- d** Six countries wanted to help their economies: Italy, France, West Germany, Belgium, the Netherlands and Luxembourg.

- e** 12 more countries joined.
- f** Three more countries joined: the UK, Ireland and Denmark.
- g** The six countries established the EEC (European Economic Community).
- h** The 12 countries established the EU (European Union).

2 Match the definitions to the words.

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| 1 integration | a to start an organisation |
| 2 an agreement | b a group who work together for the same objectives |
| 3 freedom | c to become part of a group |
| 4 culture | d a promise or decision between two or more people |
| 5 to establish | e the habits, traditions and beliefs of a group of people |
| 6 to join | f the right to say, think and do what you want |
| 7 an organisation | g working together in a similar way |
| 8 to trade | h to buy or sell goods or services between people or countries |