

EUROPEAN DAY OF LANGUAGE S

Bonjour!



What is it?

European day of languages is celebrated every year in order to raise awareness of the benefits of learning a language.

Even learning a few words of another language can help you:

- Make new contacts and friends
- Better understand people
- Discover more job opportunities
- Overcome cultural boundaries

It also encourages us to keep European languages 'alive' and to celebrate diversity.




European Day of Languages

Over the past week you may have seen Mr Croissant wandering about the school. He is currently on his gap year touring around Europe hoping to find out more about different languages, cultures, countries and how that knowledge can benefit people throughout their life's.

But he needs your help...





Salut! During mon année sabbatique (my gap year) I have decided to visit as many European countries as I can, I'm almost finished but there is still 5 more I want to visit. Do you think you can help me?

The first class to correctly complete the quiz, get their passport stamped 5 times and get their photos taken will win a French breakfast next week!



I've heard social subjects speak a lot about Germany and I would love to visit there. I've done some research and I am fascinated by Germany's food, festivals and historic castles. Can you help me complete this quiz so I can reach my destination? Viel Glück!



Question 2:
What is the
capital of
Germany?

Question 6:
**True or
False-**
Germany has
over 200
castles...

Question 4:
Name a country
Germany shares
borders with...

Question 1: **True or
False** - Oktoberfest
in Germany is the
worlds largest
Volkfest and it takes
place in September
each year

Question 3 -
What is the
German word
for cheese?
**Unscramble
this word:**
seäk

Question 5: What
is the German word
for milk?
**Unscramble this
word: chilm**

Remember this phrase:

**Guten Morgen
(gooten-morgen)**

Good Morning



Thank you for helping me get to Germany! My next stop will be Iceland as I've heard the science department speak a lot about their huge rocks recently, have you? Can you help me complete this quiz on Iceland before I set off? Gangi þér vell!





Question 1: **True or False** - Gullfoss is the most powerful waterfall in Europe.

Question 2: What is the capital of Iceland

Question 3 - What is the population of Iceland to the nearest ten thousand?
A. 330,000
B. 340,000
C. 350,000

Question 4: What is the name of the geothermal pool that you can swim in?
A. The Frozen lagoon
B. The Blue lagoon
C. The Icelandic lagoon

Question 5: **True or False** - There are no McDonalds in Iceland

Question 6: What is the currency of Iceland?

Remember this phrase:

Goða Morgun
(good-a-morgan)

Good Morning

Thank you for helping me visit Iceland! My next stop is the Netherlands as I've heard the guidance department talk a lot about it recently. I've discovered they are famous for their clogs and windmills. I'm so excited! Can you help me complete this quiz about the Netherlands before I leave? Succes!





Question 1:
What is the
national flower
of the
Netherlands?

Question 2:
What is the
name of the
wooden shoes
from the
Netherlands?

Question 3 -
True or False
- In the
Netherlands
there are more
bikes than
people

Question 4: Which of
these is the tallest
building in Amsterdam
A. Rembrandt Tower
B. The Vermer
Building
C. The Van Gogh
Museum

Question 5: The
Netherlands was
the first country
to legalise same-
sex marriage but in
what year?
A. 1986
B. 1997
C. 2001

Question 6:
How many
provinces
make up the
Netherlands?

Remember this phrase:

**Leuk je te zien
(Look-jay-tay-
zee-en)**

Nice to see you!

Wow I had such a good time in the Netherlands but now it's time to continue my travels. I've listened to the English department speak a lot about Switzerland and I'm excited to find out more about their cheese and go skiing in the Alps! Can you help me complete this quiz about the Switzerland before I jet off? Viel Glück!





Question 1:
True or False -
Switzerland's
flag is the
shape of a
rectangle.

Question 2:
What is the
capital of
Switzerland?

Question 3 -
Name one of
the four
official
languages they
use in
Switzerland.

Question 4:
What is
Switzerland's
largest city?

Question 5:
What is the
name of the
mountain range
that passes
through
Switzerland?

Question 6:
True or False-
The Swiss
invented edible
chocolate gold
and milk
chocolate.

Remember this phrase:

**Bienvenue en Suisse
(bee-an-venue-on-
Swees)**

**Welcome to
Switzerland**

Unfortunately mon année sabbatique is almost over. Lucky I still have one more destination to visit before I head off back to France! For my final destination I've decided to visit Greece after the maths department speaking so highly of it. I'm so intrigued by their culture and architecture I want to find out more! Can you help me with this last quiz? Καλή τύχη!



Question 2:
What is the
population of
Greece? (to the
nearest million)

Question 6:
Name one of the
figures of Greek
mythology...

Question 4:
True or False-
The Olympic
games originated
in Ancient
Greece.

Remember this phrase:

Πώς είσαι
(poo-see-say)

How are you?

Question 1:
Name a Greek
Mathematician...

Question 5:
What is
Greece's
national sport?

Question 3 -
What is the
highest
mountain in
Greece?



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Thank you all so much for helping me reach my destinations. In each country I visited I learned so many different facts. From tasting different foods and visiting different landmarks to meeting new people and learning some words of that country's language. I learned how beneficial having that knowledge is for future jobs, making new friends and for life in general. I originally set off on my gap year to learn about different countries and as it turns out I found out so much more. I've now decided to work for NATO and my new love of languages will help me in many different aspects of my job. I've also decided to go and study business in London and do a year of study in Germany next year. I hope you will follow in my footsteps and take advantage of the benefits of learning a language. Whether it's taking a gap year, studying abroad, learning a language or discovering facts about a new country. This was an experience I will never forget and who knows maybe you'll become an international jet setter some day too!

FROM: Hugo Croissant

