A TEACHER’S HANDS ON GUIDE TO THE EUROPEAN UNION

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SCAVENGER HUNT!
I’ve posted THREE trivia questions to one of these social media sites! The first person to follow us on the sites AND answer the question correctly wins a Euro Tote bag with exclusive EUROSWAG!!
EURO TRIVIA

• What is the newest EU member state country?
  • CROATIA

• What is the newest Eurozone country?
  • LATVIA

• Who is this lady?
  • LADY CATHERINE ASHTON, HIGH REPRESENTATIVE FOR EXTERNAL ACTION SERVICE

• Which of the following countries is NOT an EU candidate country?
  • Turkey
  • Ukraine
  • Serbia
WHY IS CONTEMPORARY EUROPE IMPORTANT?

• After two millennia of war, peace on European continent
• EU the world’s first “supranational” body
• Important international role in diplomacy, trade, development
  • EU gives more funds to international development that any other institution
• Why study European history if you can’t say how it impacts the lives of both Europeans and Americans every day?
WHY IS CONTEMPORARY EUROPE IMPORTANT?

• Transatlantic Trade
  • EU represents 56% of US foreign direct investment
  • Total of $650 Billion in 2012 (a 68% increase since 2000)
  • EU-based companies employ 88,500 in NC alone (10th in the US)
  • NC exported 2.5X as many goods to EU as to China in 2012

• EU in the News:
  • Eurozone Crisis
  • EU Nobel Prize 2012
  • TTIP

TODAY’S STUDENTS WILL BE INTERACTING WITH EUROPE AND THE WORLD MORE THAN ANY PREVIOUS GENERATION
WHAT IS THE CENTER FOR EUROPEAN STUDIES?

THE CENTER FOR EUROPEAN STUDIES IS A TITLE VI NATIONAL RESOURCE CENTER AND EU CENTER OF EXCELLENCE FOR CONTEMPORARY* EUROPEAN STUDIES

CONTEMPORARY EUROPE = ~1870-PRESENT

• CES enhances UNC European studies curriculum
  • EURO major
  • TransAtlantic Masters (TAM)
    • EURO/TAM BA.MA. Program
    • LAC (languages across the curriculum)

• CES advances research
  • Faculty working groups
  • Conferences and workshops

• CES reaches the community
  • K-12 and Community College educators
  • Business and the media
BRING EUROPE INTO YOUR CLASSROOM: CES RESOURCES OVERVIEW

• Teaching Websites
• Lesson Plan Database
• CES Workshop Materials
• CES Partner Teacher Training
• Euro Challenge

EUROPE.UNC.EDU
Highlight of ReOrienting the Veil
VEIL.UNC.EDU

- Exploring Islamic veiling practices in transnational context and multidisciplinary perspective
- Interactive site with art, primary sources in European languages, quizzes, multimedia
- Special Resources for Educators
  - Five lesson plans with resources to accompany the site
- Product of cutting edge resource from CES working group
  - Faculty lead Dr. Martine Antle
CES LESSON PLAN DATABASE

- EU Centers of Excellence Database
  - K-14
  - Sort by grade level and subject area
  - Aligned to common core or NC standards

- Delegation of the EU to the US
  - SS/History including PPTs

- CES Partner Lesson Plans
  - LEARN NC
  - NC Civics Education Consortium
  - SAS Curriculum Pathways
  - Global Music Lesson Plans
  - World View CC Syllabi
CES WORKSHOPS

• Europe in Crisis? Dispelling Myths about the European Union (2013)
  • Special focus on the Balkans
  • Sessions on: The EU and Euro Crisis, European Identity, The EU as a Global Actor, Transatlantic Relations

• The New NC Essential Standards: Incorporating the European Union (2012)
  • The EU and NC Essential Standards, EU Graphic Organizers

• The European Union and the Euro: A K-12 Workshop
EURO CHALLENGE

An exciting educational competition and opportunity for high school students to learn about the European Union, the Euro, and the Global Economy

- For 9th-10th grade student teams
- Orientation and Regional Competition at UNC
  - winning team advances to Nationals in NYC
- Student choose Eurozone county and Challenge question (i.e. slow growth in Italy, high unemployment in Greece, etc.)
- Student present research and answer questions from faculty judges
- Excellent alternative or extra-credit project
  - Student-led
  - Opportunity to interact with faculty at UNC
  - Real-world questions, hands-on research
OVERVIEW OF RESOURCES FROM THE EU

• Contents divided by age group
• Hundreds of lesson plans
• Free publications and downloads
• High-production value educational games and quizzes
• School exchanges and teacher networking
• EU Resources Portal: http://europa.eu/teachers-corner/
• Audiovisual materials and slides also available
FREE EU PUBLICATIONS

- Europa Bookshop provides booklets, maps, posters
- Download or print some resources
- Some resources available as classroom sets, shipped to your door!
DYNAMIC EUROPEAN CONTENT

AUDIoVISUAL AND MultIMEDIA

• The European Commission Provides Audio, Photos, and Video on European topics, current events, and news

• CES’ YouTube Channel contains lectures from world renowned researchers and diplomats, and interviews with Ambassadors and experts

PRIMARy SOURCES

• Europa.eu contains all EU treaties, press releases, and other documents

• Europeana.eu is an internet portal with access to millions of books, paintings, films, museum objects, music, and archival records

• Virtual ‘exhibitions’ highlighting Europe’s biggest cultural treasures

• Special website on WW1 1914-1918
QUESTIONS?

GET ENGAGED!

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