“EU”-ducate Yourself!

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2. Choose a country that belongs to the European Union. Write it here_______________.
3. Your brochure must include the following 5 of the following:
   - 3-5 images (one must be the country’s flag)
   - What is the official language spoken?
   - How many members of the EU parliament does your country have?
   - When will your country NEXT be president of the Council of the European Union?
   - Who is the European commissioner for your country?
   - What currency (money) does your country use?
   - What year did your country join the EU?
   - Each country has different dynamics that make it interesting, choose 3 fascinating facts about your country and display them on your brochure as well.

We will print and QR code our final documents to share! I cannot wait to see your finished product! Good luck and let me know if you need help or guidance.

Fascinating Facts - flag, currency, language, year joined

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