

Topic - Fun facts about Europe

Overview

As Europe consists of different countries, there are many interesting facts and a lot of things to learn. The aim of the lesson is to acquire new knowledge through fun activities. The students take part in discussions, in an online game (Kahoot) and they prepare a group work. The topic of the lesson is fun facts about Europe. Different facts for this lesson have been collected. All the links are given in the part used materials.

Target group: Class 4 - Class 7

Aims: The students will....

1. learn new fun facts about Europe and the European Union.
2. revise information about the European Union.
3. discuss about different cultures in Europe
4. practise talking about their country

Materials

- Projector and screen
- Computer or laptop with Internet connection
- Speakers
- Ipads or phones with Internet connection or computers with Internet connection
- Paper and pen

Used materials

Link 1 - PBS News

<https://www.pbs.org/newshour/world/8-things-you-didnt-know-about-the-european-union>
<https://list25.com/25-interesting-facts-about-europe-that-most-people-dont-know/> (visited
21.05.2018)

Link 2 - Top Universities:

<https://www.topuniversities.com/blog/8-surprising-facts-you-didnt-know-about-europe> (visited
21.05.2018)

Link 3- WSA Europe: <http://www.wsaeurope.com/blog/21-fun-facts> (visited 21.05.2018)

Link 4 - Kahoot. <https://play.kahoot.it/#/k/5f322607-8c78-4b56-b5e4-da0562969ed2> (prepared
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Directions:

Step 1 - Warm up (video - 2 minutes)

Students sit in a classroom where everybody can see the screen. For warm up - watch the video on the first link ("What is the European Union"). The aim is to activate the previously learned knowledge.

Step 2 - Warm up (3 minutes of discussion)

After watching the video ask the questions - What was new for you? Did you learn a new fact? Give the students time to express their opinions. You can write down the facts on the board (to make it easier) and underline the new ones the students mentioned.

Step 3 - Game (15 minutes for questions, log in 2 minutes)

Let's play Kahoot (Link 5). Try to guess the correct answer. Most of the questions are true or false questions. You can play it as a team.

Step 4- After the game (3 minutes)

Take a look at the link where the facts are from. Discuss the facts. Which fact was the most interesting/shocking?

Step 5 - group work (group work 15 minutes, asking questions 5 minutes)

Divide the class into groups (you can use: <http://wheeldecide.com/>). Each group should have 3-4 members. Every group writes down questions about their own country. The students have to know the answers to the questions, but they don't write them down. Encourage the students make up the most interesting questions about their country (some fun facts). They should write down 3-5 questions per group and they can discuss in their teams.

Every group chooses a leader who comes to the board. The leaders get the papers with the questions from all the groups and they choose the most interesting questions and ask the groups who prepared the questions. The group gives the correct answer and they can elaborate, add some extra information.

Summing up (1 minute)

Everybody can share what they learned from the lesson.