

Myth of Europa and EU symbols

7-9

Learning objectives

Throughout this lesson:
- Students will be able to get insights regarding the myth of Europa and EU symbols.

Materials needed

- Printed descriptive cards (see attachments below)
- Printed take-home quizzes (see below)
- White board + board maker

Structure/activities

- At the beginning, you can explain your students that you are going to explain them where Europe took its name, why we call it Europe?
- Given the age range of your students, you should keep the story as simple as possible.
- First of all, show them 1st picture. Tell them Zeus (king of the gods in Greek) fell in love with a woman named Europa who was enjoying herself with her friends at beach.
- Then display 2nd picture by telling them he took the form of a bull to kidnap her.
- At the end display the 3rd picture and tell them it is a map of Europe and it is in the shape of the bull from the myth you explained to them :)
- Later provide students with information regarding the EU symbols - display them flag by showing the flag (4th picture).
- Let them count how many stars it has :) they will enjoy doing this.
- Tell them about the EU anthem - make them listen to it and tell them it is a song of Europe (use this link for the song: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Jo_-KoBiBG0).
- Give students printed take-home quizzes and ask them to bring you tomorrow.



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Background information

<https://www.greeklegendsandmyths.com/europa.html>

Assessment

Take-home quizzes - see below.



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EU SYMBOLS - FLAG



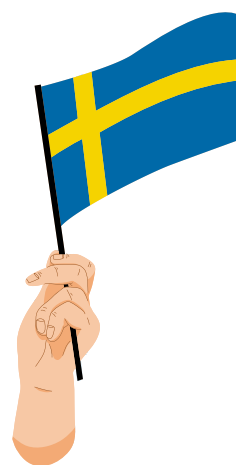
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TAKE HOME QUIZZES - 1

WHICH ONE IS THE FLAG OF EUROPE?



TAKE-HOME QUIZZES - 2

WHICH ANIMAL DID ZEUS TURN INTO?

