

# 2019 Japan-EU Friendship Week Exhibition

## EU Quiz

Circle the correct answer

【Q1】 How many EU member countries are there currently?

- ① 26
- ② 27
- ③ 28

【Q2】 Which of the following European cities is not a national capital?

- ① Bratislava
- ② Zagreb
- ③ Zurich

【Q3】 Which of these European Union countries has the largest area?

- ① France
- ② United Kingdom
- ③ Sweden

【Q4】 Where is the headquarters of the European Commission?

- ① Madrid, Spain
- ② Paris, France
- ③ Brussels, Belgium

【Q5】 Where were the Olympics held when Japan joined for the first time in 1912?

- ① Athens
- ② Helsinki
- ③ Stockholm

【Q6】 Which country's cuisine has a traditional dish called "Musaka" using eggplant, minced lamb, and bechamel sauce?

- ① Portugal
- ② Greece
- ③ Czech Republic

【Q7】 What does the circle of 12 stars on the EU flag stand for?

- ① the number of countries who joined the EU when it was first established
- ② the twelve apostles
- ③ the ancient Greek circle symbolizing perfection and fulfillment

【Q8】 Among EU member countries, the United Kingdom was the first country to open subway. Which was the second?

- ① Greece
- ② France
- ③ Hungary

【Q9】 Which countries in the EU member states use letters other than Latin letters (Roman alphabet) (A, B, C, ...)?

- ① Bulgaria and Greece
- ② Czech Republic and Slovakia
- ③ Poland and Romania

【Q10】 What is the motto of the EU?

- ① In EU we trust
- ② United in diversity
- ③ Freedom, equality, philanthropy



# EU Quiz Answers

**[Q1] How many EU member countries are there currently?**

→ ③ 28



**[Q2] Which of the following European cities is not a national capital?**

→ ③ Zurich

- ① Bratislava is the capital of Slovakia
- ② Zagreb is the capital of Croatia.
- ③ Zürich or Zurich (/'zjʊərɪk/ ZEWR-ik) is the largest city in Switzerland and the capital of the canton of Zürich. It is located in north-central Switzerland at the northwestern tip of Lake Zürich, and has a population of approximately 400,000. The capital of Switzerland is actually Bern.

Did you know Switzerland is not an EU member country?

**[Q3] Which of these European Union countries has the largest area?**

→ ① France

### **[EU Area of member countries Top 3 (1,000km<sup>2</sup>)**

France        632.8

Spain        506.0

Sweden        438.6

(Reference: [https://europa.eu/european-union/about-eu/figures/living\\_en#tab-1-3](https://europa.eu/european-union/about-eu/figures/living_en#tab-1-3))

**[Q4] Where is the headquarters of the European Commission?**

→ ③ Brussels, Belgium

EU institutions such as the European Parliament, the European Council, the Council of the European Union, and the European Commission work together to manage EU business on a daily basis. The EU Commission is the only institution that is responsible for planning, preparing and proposing new European laws. The Commission operates as a cabinet government, with 28 members, known as the "commissioners". There are approximately 30,000 employees working at the EU Commission, and 25,000 employees are living in Brussels.



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**[Q5] Where were the Olympics held when Japan joined for the first time in 1912?**

→ ③ Stockholm

**[Q6] Which country's cuisine has a traditional dish called "Musaka" using eggplant, minced lamb, and bechamel sauce?**

→ ② Greece

In the publication of the Delegation of the European Union to Japan, "Tastes of Europe 28", the recipes of traditional cuisines of EU member countries including "Musaka" are introduced.

The booklet can be viewed from the Delegation's website.

<https://eeas.europa.eu/sites/eeas/files/taste-of-europe.pdf>



**[Q7] What does the circle of 12 stars on the EU flag stand for?**

→ ③ the ancient Greek circle symbolizing perfection and fulfillment



In European culture, the number 12 symbolises "completeness" and "perfection". The circle has the meaning of perfection and completeness in ancient Greek culture. The circle of 12 gold stars stand for the ideals of unity, solidarity, and harmony among the peoples of Europe. The flag was designed in 1955 and officially launched later that year by the Council of Europe as a symbol for the whole of Europe.

**[Q8] Among EU member countries, the United Kingdom was the first country to construct a subway. Which was the second?**

→ ③ Hungary

The subway's history began in 1863 in London, England.

The subway in Budapest, Hungary was opened in 1896, which was the world's first subway using electric power. It has been registered as a World Heritage Site as "Andrássy Avenue and the Underground" (ID 400-002).

**[Q9] Which countries in the EU member states use letters other than the Roman alphabet (A, B, C, ...)?**

→ ① Bulgaria and Greece

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Здравейте

Cyrillic  
alphabet



Γεια σας

Greek  
alphabet



### [Q10] What is the motto of the EU?

→ ② United in diversity

“United in diversity” is the motto of the EU. The motto was chosen from more than 2,000 submissions during a non-official slogan contest in 2000. It was adopted by the EU and became one of the symbols of the European Union. The motto has been translated into all 24 official EU languages.

According to the EU Commission, the motto signifies how Europeans have come together, in the form of the EU, to work for peace and prosperity, while at the same time being enriched by the continent's many different cultures, traditions, and languages.