Quick Quiz!

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Has the European Union achieved its goals? Part 1 (Teacher Version)

1) Article II of the 2007 Lisbon Treaty lists the EU's values. What are they?

- a) Economic cooperation, democracy, equality, supranationalism and intergovernmentalism
- Human dignity, freedom, democracy, equality, the rule of law, and respect for human rights
- c) National identity, sovereignty, the rule of law and economic growth
- d) Peace, stability, equality and security

2) What is the first aim set out in Article III of the Lisbon Treaty?

- a) To establish a highly competitive single market
- b) To promote peace, values, and the wellbeing of its people
- c) To eliminate internal borders and establish free movement across the EU
- d) To encourage economic cooperation and technological advancements

3) In 2012, the EU was awarded the Nobel Peace Prize for:

- Advancing economic cooperation and military alliances
- b) Advancing peace and reconciliation across Europe, democracy, and human rights
- c) Facilitating international trade and global security
- d) Promoting nationalist ideologies and cultural diversity

4) What significant challenges has the EU faced to maintaining the Schengen Area in recent years?

- a) The COVID-19 pandemic
- b) The UK's 2016 EU Referendum
- c) The 2015 migrant crisis
- d) The 2007-08 global financial crisis

5) What was incorporated by the Amsterdam Treaty?

- a) The Social Chapter
- b) The Common Agricultural Policy
- c) The Schengen Agreement
- d) The European Central Bank

6) What criteria do applicant nations have to meet to join the EU?

- a) A commitment to economic cooperation, human rights, democratic principles, freemarket policies, and cultural diversity
- b) Functioning market economies, democratic institutions, respect for the rule of law, and human rights protections
- c) Comprehensive measures for national security, economic dominance, technological innovation, environmental sustainability, and social cohesion
- d) Strict adherence to environmental standards, technological advancements, regional stability, and international diplomatic collaboration

7) What do nationalists often criticise about EU membership?

- a) The failure to address economic inequality and protect workers' rights
- b) The transfer of policymaking authority to supranational EU institutions
- c) The failure to encourage cultural diversity within member states
- d) The dilution of each nation's distinct culture and social cohesiveness

8) What criticisms do populists often make of the EU?

- a) The EU's failure to address economic inequality and protect workers' rights
- b) The technocratic and undemocratic nature of EU decision-making
- c) The EU's lack of cooperation on foreign policy
- d) The lack of centralisation in EU decisionmaking, leading to inefficiency

9) What is the second aim set out in Article III of the Lisbon Treaty?

- a) To establish a highly competitive single market
- b) To promote peace, values, and the wellbeing of its people
- c) To eliminate internal borders and establish free movement across the EU
- d) To achieve balanced growth and full employment while protecting the environment

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10) What is the Schengen Area?

- a) A currency union among EU member states
- b) A network of national parks promoting environmental conservation
- c) An area comprising 27 European countries that have abolished their border controls
- d) A cultural exchange programme within the EU

11) How did some EU member countries respond to the 2015 migrant crisis?

- a) Introduced mandatory quotas accepted by all member states
- Reinforced open borders and free movement
- c) Reintroduced border controls
- d) Ignored the issue

12) What is the third aim set out in Article III of the Lisbon Treaty?

- To establish a highly competitive single market
- b) To eliminate internal borders and establish free movement across the EU
- c) To ensure political stability and national security
- d) To promote peace, values, and the wellbeing of its people

13) What are the four freedoms of the single market?

- a) Freedom of movement of goods, services, capital, and persons
- b) Freedom of movement of ideas, technology, labour, and energy
- c) Freedom of movement of currencies, information, culture, and defence
- d) Freedom of movement of resources, inventions, artifacts, and agriculture

14) What was the primary objective of the Treaty of Paris, signed in 1951?

- a) To establish a common market for coal and steel
- b) To create a political union among member states
- c) To form a centralised banking system
- d) To eliminate trade barriers for agricultural products

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15) What did the Treaty of Rome, signed in 1957, primarily aim to achieve?

- a) The establishment of the European Central Bank
- b) The formation of a political union among member states
- c) The creation of a common market with the elimination of trade barriers
- d) The implementation of a common currency for all member countries

16) Which treaty laid the groundwork for a single European currency?

- a) Treaty of Paris
- b) Maastricht Treaty
- c) Amsterdam Treaty
- d) Single European Act

17) What has the EU done to address non-tariff barriers to trade?

- a) Implemented strict national quotas
- b) Established additional customs duties
- c) Harmonised standards and rules through laws and regulations
- d) Increased tariffs on imported goods