



PASSPORT TO EUROPE - POLAND (SPRING 1)

YEAR 4

Map of Europe



The European Union (EU)

The EU is like a 'team' of countries in Europe, working together, following the same rules.

Countries do not have to join the EU.

Officially started in 1993, although some countries started working together at the end of WW2.

There are 27 countries currently in the EU.

Its purpose was to create a single market for trade and to work together cooperatively with other countries.

Poland

Continent - Europe

National language - Polish

Capital city - Warsaw

Currency - złoty

Longest river in Poland - Vistula (1,022 km)

The European Union flag



4 seasons

Climate - cold, rainy winters and mild summers, with frequent showers

Main religion - Roman Catholic

Almost 10,000 lakes and some lagoons along the coastline.

The Carpathians - mountainous area along the border of Slovakia

European bison (a wisent) lives in Poland (once extinct)

Poland became its own country in 1918 - Independence Day - 11/11



Wisent (European bison)

The Carpathian mountains

Warsaw - Capital city

KEY VOCABULARY

City	A large town.
Town	An area with a name and boundaries that is larger than a village and smaller than a city.
Physical Geography	Natural features of the world.
Human Geography	How human activity affects the planet.
Compass	An instrument that has a magnetized pointer which shows North.
Comparison	Considering the similarities and differences between two things.
Population	The inhabitants of a particular place.
Climate	The weather conditions in an area.
Currency	A system of money in use in a country.
Grid references	A map reference indicating a location.
Significant	Something important and worthy of attention.
European Union	An international organisation that governs common economic, social and security policies.
Capital city	The city that functions as the seat of government in a country.

Polish flag



LINKS IN THE CURRICULUM:

Year 2 - Area Study (Nigeria)

Year 6 - Area study (Russia)

