

INVESTICE DO ROZVOJE VZDĚLÁVÁNÍ

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Metodický list/anotace:

Materiál slouží k seznámení se slovní zásobou . Jedná se zejména o výrazy z běžného života.

Studenti odhadují na základě svých znalostí význam. V případě potřeby pracují se slovníkem. Diskutují o výhodách a nevýhodách členství.

European Union

Short history

- The European Union is set up with the aim of ending the frequent and bloody wars between neighbours, which culminated in the Second World War. As of 1950, the European Coal and Steel Community begins to unite European countries economically and politically in order to secure lasting peace. The six founders are Belgium, France, Germany, Italy, Luxembourg and the Netherlands.
- Denmark, Ireland and the United Kingdom join the European Union on 1 January 1973, raising the number of member states to nine.
- In 1981, Greece becomes the 10th member of the EU and Spain and Portugal follow five years later. In 1986 the **Single European Act** is signed.

Enlargement

- it has roots in the collapse of communism, symbolised by the fall of the Berlin Wall in 1989
- the Czech Republic joined formally on 1 May 2004
- the economic impact was significant, it brought integrated market boost and growth
- the newcomers benefit from access to EU funding for their regional and social development

Membership

- *The Treaty on European Union* came into force in 1993
- basic conditions are:
 - stable institutions
 - respect and protection of human rights
 - functioning market economy
 - ability to take on the obligations, including economic and monetary union

Answer the questions

- What information do you have about EU?
- What is the EU anthem?
- What does the EU flag look like?
- What impact does it have on your life?

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