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Hallo! Ich bin froh dass Sie in meiner Gemeinschaftskunde-Klasse sind. Auf Wiedersehen!

Olá! Estou contente de que você esteja na minha classe de Estudos Social. Adeus!

¡Hola! Me alegro de que usted esté en mi clase de Estudios Social. ¡Hasta la vista!

Здравствуйте! Я рад, что Вы находитесь в моем классе Общественных наук. До свидания!

Bonjour! Je suis heureux que vous soyez dans ma classe de Sciences humaines. Au revoir!

Ciao! Sono contento che tu sia nella mia classe Studi Sociali. Arrivederci!

Guess the European Language!

Your Task: Travel around the room and visit each language poster. See if you can guess which language it is written in. After we discuss the *European Languages* PowerPoint, try to group the language posters based on their language families. Finally, can you guess what the posters are saying??

- Language Guess Choices: Spanish, German, Russian, French, Italian, Portuguese
- Language Family Choices: Slavic, Romance, Germanic

Poster	Language Guess	Language Family
1.		
2.		
3.		
4.		
5.		

What do you think the posters are saying?

Languages Gallery Walk

Let's see if you guessed correctly!

1. German

2. Portuguese

3. Spanish

4. Russian

5. French

6. Italian

What Did They Say?

Hello! I'm glad that you're in my Social Studies class. Goodbye!

What are the three main language families in Europe?	What are the three main language families in Europe?	What are the three main language families in Europe?
What have Europeans done to try to solve the problem of so many languages?	What have Europeans done to try to solve the problem of so many languages?	What have Europeans done to try to solve the problem of so many languages?
In what way are the German and English languages alike?	In what way are the German and English languages alike?	In what way are the German and English languages alike?
Which languages come from the language of the ancient Roman Empire?	Which languages come from the language of the ancient Roman Empire?	Which languages come from the language of the ancient Roman Empire?
Which European language has the largest number of native speakers?	Which European language has the largest number of native speakers?	Which European language has the largest number of native speakers?
What is a problem caused by many languages spoken in the same country?	What is a problem caused by many languages spoken in the same country?	What is a problem caused by many languages spoken in the same country?

European Languages

Europe is home to more than 200 native languages!

Most European languages are in 3 main language families (or categories):

- **Germanic,**
- **Romance**, &
- **Slavic**

Members of the Indo-European Language Family

Germanic Language Family

Has the most native speakers

Most live in northwest and central Europe

English & German are part of this family

- About 20% of Europeans speak one of these two languages

Most Europeans learn English as a 2nd language in their schools

Romance Language Family

Includes French, Italian, & Spanish

Most live in the south and west of Europe

These languages come from Latin, the language of the ancient Roman Empire

- Romance Languages

Slavic Languages

Includes Russian

Found in central and eastern Europe

Written with a Cyrillic alphabet

Brain Break!

If possible, write your name using the Cyrillic alphabet.

Аа	Бб	Вв	Гг	Дд	Ее	Её	Жж	Зз
a	b	v	g	d	e	jo	ž	z
[a]	[b]	[v]	[g]	[d]	[ye]	[yo]	[ž]	[z]

Ии	Йй	Кк	Лл	Мм	Нн	Оо	Пп	Рр
i	j	k	l	m	n	o	p	r
[i]	[y]	[k]	[l]	[m]	[n]	[o]	[p]	[r]

Сс	Тт	Уу	Фф	Хх	Цц	Чч	Шш	Щщ
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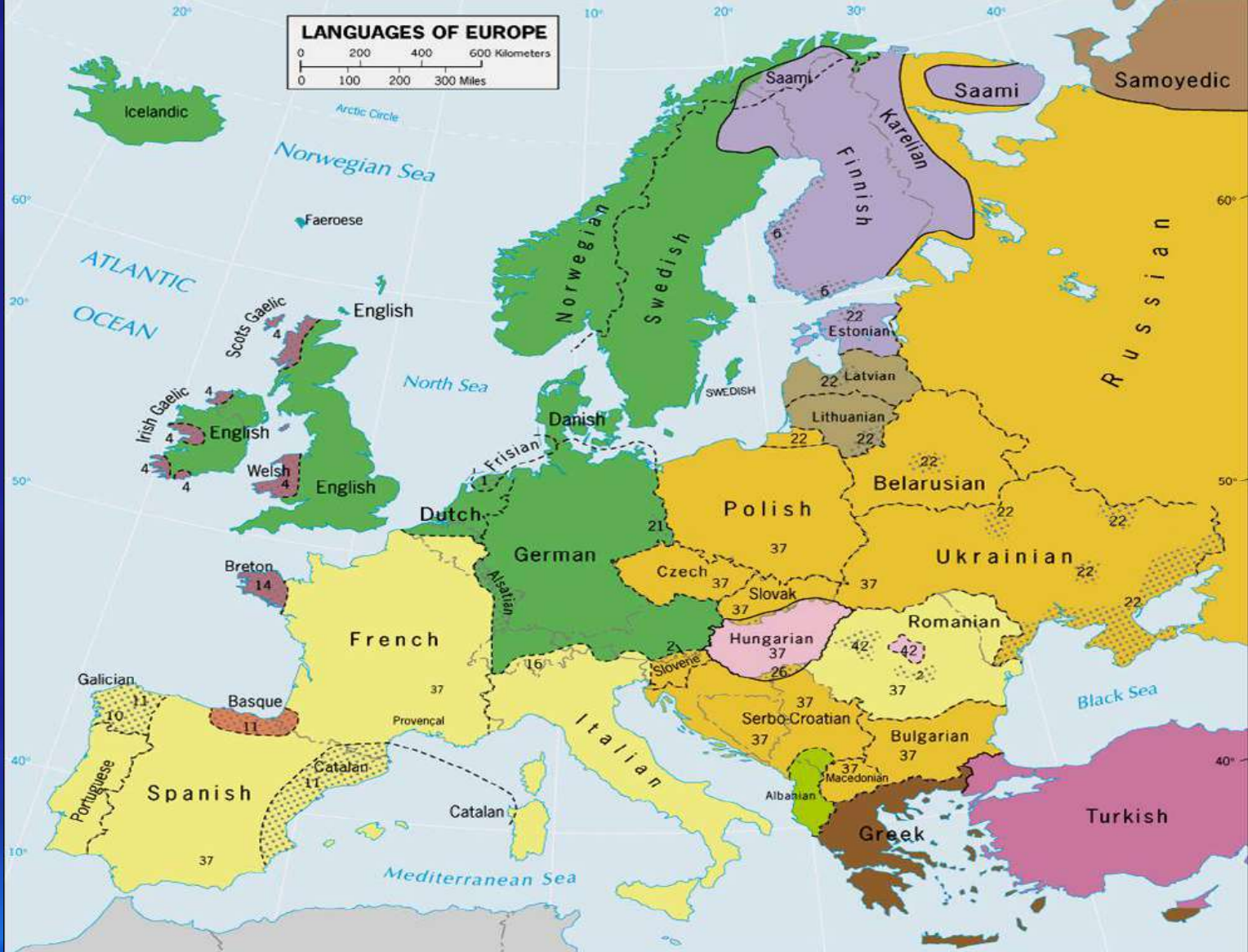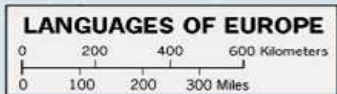| Ьъ	Ыы	Ьь	Ээ	Юю	Яя
'	y	"	è	ju	ja
silent	[ɯ†]	silent	[e]	[yu]	[ya]

Diversity in European Languages Today

Many countries have more than one official language

- Part of life in many countries in Europe due to the ethnic background of the people living there

Many countries share borders, and people move back and forth across borders

- About 400 million people in the world speak English because it is often the choice for a 2nd language

LANGUAGES OF EUROPE

| 0 | 200 | 400 | 600 Kilometers |
| 0 | 100 | 200 | 300 Miles |

Icelandic

Arctic Circle

Norwegian Sea

Faeroese

ATLANTIC

OCEAN

Scots Gaelic

English

North Sea

Irish Gaelic

English

Welsh

English

Danish

Frisian

Dutch

German

Alsatian

Breton

French

Galician

Basque

Provençal

Portuguese

Spanish

Catalan

Catalan

Mediterranean Sea

Norwegian

Swedish

SWEDISH

Saami

Saami

Finnish

Karelian

Estonian

Latvian

Lithuanian

Polish

Czech

Slovak

Slovene

Hungarian

Italian

Serbo-Croatian

Macedonian

Albanian

Greek

Belarusian

Ukrainian

Russian

Romanian

Bulgarian

Black Sea

Turkish

Samoyedic

Major Indo-European Branches

Germanic group

WESTERN GERMANIC
1 Dutch
2 German
3 Frisian
4 English

NORTHERN GERMANIC
5 Danish
6 Swedish
7 Norwegian

8 Icelandic
9 Faeroses

Romance group
10 Portuguese   14 French
11 Spanish   15 Italian
12 Catalan   16 Rhaeto-Romance
13 Provençal   17 Romanian

Slavic group
WEST SLAVONIC   EAST SLAVONIC   SOUTH SLAVONIC

Other Indo-European Branches

Celtic group
BRITTANIC
29 Breton
30 Welsh

GAULISH
31 Irish Gaelic
32 Scots Gaelic

Baltic group
33 Latvian   34 Lithuanian

Hellenic
35 Greek

Thracian/Illyrian group
36 Albanian

Uralic Language Family

Finno-Ugric group
38 Ginnish   41 Estonian
39 Karelian   42 Hungarian
40 Saami

Samoyedic group
44 Samoyedic

Altaic Language Family

Turkic group
45 Turkish

Other Languages

Areas with significant concentrations of other languages (usually adjacent national languages).

- - - - - Boundary between languages.

——— Boundary between Indo-European and non-Indo-European languages.

Having so many languages can be a problem

Difficult to live, work, and trade with people who cannot communicate with each other

So…

- Schoolchildren learn 1 or 2 other languages besides their own
- European Union has 23 "official" languages to make sure that people can understand laws and decisions made by the government

Classify Your Language Chart into Language Families…

1. Germanic
2. Romance
3. Romance
4. Slavic
5. Romance
6. Romance