How to play the EU Game

As the EU game is played, it becomes clear what the players know about the European Union and there are also things to learn.

- The game comes with four playing pieces and a dice.
- Five players can play, one of whom is made the lead player.
- After throwing the dice, a player can move his/her piece forward by the number of dots thrown.

> If the piece lands on a star (★), a command follows and the player is either lucky or unlucky.
> If the piece lands on a question mark (❓), a question follows.
> There are questions to which you can find the answer on the map, but there are also general knowledge questions.

Obviously the lead player knows all the answers and if he/she is not absolutely sure, ...the correct answers are in green.

Commands

1. What a pity, you come from a non-Schengen country and it takes hours for you to be allowed into the country; every suitcase has to be opened.
   Miss a turn.

2. A toy manufacturer in your country has received a CE mark for the safety of its products.
   Go forward two spaces.

3. Your country has been distorting the facts. There was no way you could become a member of the European Union yet. You did not have a healthy economy or a democracy and you do not respect human rights.
   Go back to square 1.

4. Unfortunately, this year your country has caught more fish than has been agreed in the EU. This means that fish stocks are not being protected.
   Miss a turn.

5. All the ships sailing under the flag of your country satisfy European requirements.
   Go forward two spaces.

6. Your country has maintained its aircraft so poorly that they are no longer allowed to land in an EU Member State.
   Go back to square 1.

7. Your compatriots have indicated that they want to leave the EU. You try to convince them of the benefits of membership. This will take time.
   Miss a turn.

8. One of the Member States got into financial difficulties. Together with the other EU Member States you bailed out the banks and prevented bankruptcy.
   Go forward two spaces.

9. Your country has received subsidies from the EU, but for years now this money has not been used for its intended purpose.
   Go back to square 1.

10. Agreements need to be made with every country to protect migratory birds and their feeding grounds. You have to convince every country.
    Miss a turn.

11. Thanks to the efforts of your country, all the ministers of the Council of the European Union are in agreement and have approved an important law.
    Go forward two spaces.

12. For years now, your country has not taken the steps which are necessary according to the treaties of the European Union. You ignore every agreement.
    Go back to square 1.

13. You have discovered that all countries must work together to prevent further global warming. You need to visit every Member State and that will take a lot of time.
    Miss a turn.

14. Today you celebrate more than 60 years of peace between the EU Member States.
    Go forward two spaces.

15. The European Commission has filed a complaint with the Court of Justice several times. You are refusing to comply with European laws.
    Go back to square 1.

16. The subsidy that the EU had granted to your country for agriculture has not been used for agriculture. This money needs to be repaid.
    Miss a turn.

17. Your city became the European Capital of Culture this year. Congratulations!
    Go forward two spaces.

18. You have already decided that you will vote when you turn 18. That way you can help make decisions!
    Go forward two spaces.
1 Which two EU Member States share a border with the Netherlands?  
Belgium and Germany.

2 What was the name of the European Union’s predecessor?  
Benelux, The Schengen Union, The European Coal and Steel Community.

3 What have the EU Member States agreed about fishing?  
Nets must be used that allow young, small fish to escape. It is also forbidden to catch more fish than has been agreed.

4 After the European Coal and Steel Community (EEC), a new alliance was soon set up. What was that called?  
The European Economic Community (EEC).

5 Which six countries founded the European Economic Community (EEC) in 1957?  
The Netherlands, Belgium, France, Italy, Luxembourg and Germany.

6 Why did people want a common EEC market?  
Border controls and import duties had to end so that the participating countries could trade with each other as one country.

7 The governments of two countries were keen to join the EU, but their population voted against this. Which countries are they?  
Norway and Switzerland.

8 In what year was the European Union (EU) set up?  

9 Which country became a member of the EU in 2013?  
Croatia.

10 What are the capital cities of Cyprus, Ireland and Portugal?  
Nicosia, Dublin and Lisbon.

11 The EU is helping EU Member States with a lot of unemployment. Name 1 form of help.  
Lending to start-ups – retrain – giving companies the opportunity to create new jobs – providing subsidies.

12 What are the colours of the European flag?  
Gold with blue stars, Blue with gold stars.

13 Which countries joined the EU in 1986?  
Spain and Portugal, Cyprus and Malta.

14 Which two EU Member States share a border with the Netherlands?  
Belgium and Germany.

15 Every country in Europe used to have its own currency. Do all the EU Member States have the euro as their legal tender?  
Yes, No, because some countries do not satisfy the conditions.

16 How long are the members of the European Parliament elected for?  
5 years, 6 years, 7 years.

17 Which five EU Member States share a border with France?  
Spain, Italy, Germany, Luxembourg and Belgium.

18 What does the European Parliament discuss during its meetings?  
It discusses new laws that have been proposed by the European Commission.

19 Does a pet also require a passport for travel abroad?  
Yes, no, it contains details of vaccinations.

20 When the ministers of all the EU Member States meet, what is this meeting then called?  

21 Which four EU Member States share a border with the Czech Republic?  
Germany, Poland, Slovakia and Austria.

22 Which is the country with the smallest population in the European Union?  
Croatia.

23 Which six EU Member States share a border with Austria?  
Germany, Czechia, Slovakia, Hungary, Slovenia and Italy.

24 When was the euro first introduced?  

25 Which five EU Member States share a border with Hungary?  
Austria, Slovakia, Romania, Slovenia and Croatia.

26 Do the euro coins of all the eurozone countries look the same?  
Yes, only on one side, No.

27 Which two EU Member States share a border with Latvia?  
Estonia and Lithuania.

28 As a Dutch person, do you still need a passport to be allowed to cross the border for all EU Member States?  
Yes, for all of them, Not for most of them, No, but you have to have it with you.

29 Which EU Member State shares a border with Sweden?  
Finland.

30 Say good morning in English, French or German.  
Good morning, Bonjour, Guten Morgen.

31 Which famous Dutch philosopher lends his name to the EU programme that allows you to study or exchange abroad?  
Spinoza, Erasmus, Acosta.

32 As a Dutch person, can you simply go to another EU Member State to live, work or study?  
Yes, No.

33 Which EU Member States share a border with Bulgaria?  
Romania and Greece.

34 What is the emergency number in all EU Member States?  
112.

35 Which six EU Member States share a border with Austria?  
Germany, Czechia, Slovakia, Hungary, Slovenia and Italy.

36 Which is the country with the largest population in the European Union?  
Germany, France, Poland.

37 Which is the country with the smallest population in the European Union?  
Croatia.

38 What are the capital cities of Denmark, Spain and Poland?  
Copenhagen, Madrid and Warsaw.

39 After which war did six countries decide that cooperation would provide more chance of peace?  
After the Bosnian War, After the First World War, After the Second World War.

40 Many EU Member States use the same currency. Do they also use the same stamps?  
Yes, there are special EU stamps, No.

41 Where does the European Parliament meet?  