

## EU Resource 6: The development of the European Union

1951	Belgium, France, Germany , Italy and the Netherlands sign the Treaty establishing the European Coal and Steel Community (ECSC)
1957	The six countries sign the treaty establishing the European Economic Community (EEC)
1973	Denmark, Ireland and the United Kingdom join the European Communities
1981	Greece joins the European Communities
1986	Spain and Portugal join the European Communities
1990	Germany is re-united
1995	Austria, Finland and Sweden join the European Union
2004	Cyprus, the Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Malta, Poland, Slovakia and Slovenia join the European Union