

Democracy Quiz Battle (Brain Battle)

A Non-Formal Education Tool for Youth Participation

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Introduction and Objectives

Democracy Quiz Battle is an interactive informal learning methodology designed to engage youth in understanding democracy, civic participation, and European values through games and teamwork.

This methodology was created and implemented during the Erasmus+ project "**Democracy – It's Me!**", which involved **more than 500 young participants aged 14 to 29** from the Klaipėda region. It transforms complex political and civic topics into engaging and accessible learning experiences.

Increase understanding

Of democracy and civic processes

Promote participation

Active involvement in society

Strengthen critical thinking

And information literacy

Encourage dialogue

And exchange of opinions

Make it engaging

Political education accessible and relevant

Target Group and Results



Who is it for?

- Young people aged **14 to 29**
- School students
- University students
- Youth organizations
- Young families
- Mixed community groups

Especially effective for young people with **low civic or political engagement**.

What do participants gain?



Knowledge of democracy

And political systems



Understanding the EU

And its values



Critical thinking

And information analysis skills



Teamwork

And communication skills



Confidence to speak up

Self-confidence



Civic engagement

Motivation to participate

Methodology and Organization

1

Gamification

The quiz format turns learning into a game

2

Team Learning

Collaboration strengthens results

3

Non-formal Education Principles

Free and creative learning

4

Practical Learning

Learning through action and experience

5

Interactive Participation

Active engagement, not passive listening

Duration

90–150 minutes total time for quiz delivery and reflection

Team Size

- **6–15 teams** in total
- **3–6 participants** in each team

Required Materials

Equipment

- Laptop
- Projector or screen
- Sound
- Timer

Printed

- Answer sheets
- Pens
- Results table

Additional

- Prizes
- Music
- Decorations

Preparation and Rules

How is it prepared?

01

Prepare the quiz presentation

Slides with questions and answers

03

Prepare the score table

Visible point tracking

05

Assign a moderator

Who will lead the game

02

Print answer sheets

One for each team

04

Form teams

3–6 participants in each

06

Define the scoring system

How results are calculated

Main game rules

- The moderator's decision is final
- Phones are not allowed during the game
- Each team submits only one final answer
- Discussions are allowed only during breaks
- Answers must be clearly written
- The team captain submits the answers
- Respect between teams is required

Quiz structure

The quiz has **5 rounds**, testing a variety of knowledge and skills:

-  **EU knowledge**
Key facts about the European Union
-  **Democracy and Lithuania**
Political system and civic rights
-  **Logic tasks**
Critical thinking and problem solving
-  **General knowledge**
Various topics and interesting facts
-  **Bonus round**
Additional points and tasks

Quiz Content (Full Version)

Round 1 – European Union

Key facts about EU structure, history, and how it works

1 question

What was the original name of the European Union in 1952?

- A. European Oil and Iron Community
- B. European Coal and Steel Community
- C. European Economic Union
- D. European Trade Union

👉 Correct answer: B

2 question

Which country is one of the EU founding members?

- A. United Kingdom
- B. Spain
- C. France
- D. Poland

👉 Correct answer: C

3 question

How many Members of the European Parliament does Lithuania have?

- A. 8
- B. 10
- C. 11
- D. 13

👉 Correct answer: C

4 question

Which country has the largest number of European Parliament seats?

- A. France
- B. Italy
- C. Germany
- D. Spain

👉 Correct answer: C

5 question

How many countries are currently in the European Union?

- A. 25
- B. 26
- C. 27
- D. 28

👉 Correct answer: C

6 question

Which city is the European Parliament's main seat?

- A. Brussels
- B. Strasbourg
- C. Luxembourg
- D. Frankfurt

👉 Correct answer: B

7 question

Which EU institution proposes new laws?

- A. European Commission
- B. Council of the EU
- C. European Parliament
- D. European Court of Justice

👉 Correct answer: A

8 question

What is the currency used by most EU member states?

- A. Dollar
- B. Euro
- C. Pound
- D. Franc

👉 Correct answer: B

9 question

When did Lithuania join the European Union?

- A. 2002
- B. 2003
- C. 2004
- D. 2005

👉 Correct answer: C

10 question

Which treaty created the European Union?

- A. Treaty of Rome
- B. Maastricht Treaty
- C. Lisbon Treaty
- D. Schengen Agreement

👉 Correct answer: B

Round 2 – Democracy & Lithuania

Lithuanian political system, elections, and democratic principles

1 question

How many members are in the Lithuanian Parliament (Seimas)?

- A. 101
- B. 121
- C. 141
- D. 151

👉 Correct answer: A

2 question

How many ministries are there in Lithuania?

- A. 10
- B. 12
- C. 14
- D. 16

👉 Correct answer: C

3 question

What is the minimum age to run for Seimas?

- A. 18
- B. 21
- C. 25
- D. 30

👉 Correct answer: B

4 question

Who replaces the President if necessary?

- A. Prime Minister
- B. Speaker of the Seimas
- C. Minister of Justice
- D. Mayor

👉 Correct answer: B

5 question

How often are regular Seimas elections held?

- A. Every 2 years
- B. Every 3 years
- C. Every 4 years
- D. Every 5 years

👉 Correct answer: C

6 question

What is the minimum voting age in Lithuania?

- A. 16
- B. 17
- C. 18
- D. 21

👉 Correct answer: C

7 question

Who is elected directly by the people in Lithuania?

- A. Prime Minister
- B. President
- C. Speaker of the Seimas
- D. Chief Justice

👉 Correct answer: B

8 question

Which principle means power belongs to the people?

- A. Autocracy
- B. Democracy
- C. Monarchy
- D. Oligarchy

👉 Correct answer: B

9 question

How many electoral districts are used in Seimas elections?

- A. 20
- B. 50
- C. 70
- D. 71

👉 Correct answer: B

10 question

Which body approves laws in Lithuania?

- A. Seimas
- B. Court
- C. Municipality
- D. Ministry

👉 Correct answer: A

Round 3 – Logic Tasks

Critical thinking and problem solving, not factual knowledge

1 task

Solve the word chain:

Space between objects
Newspaper published by Kudirka
Person without rights

(moderator prepares the answers)

2 task

Solve the associations:

Place
Publication
Social status

(used for group discussion)

Round 4 – General & Logic Questions

Mix of factual and riddle questions

1 question

What food never spoils?

- A. Bread
- B. Cheese
- C. Honey
- D. Milk

👉 Correct answer: C

2 question

Which country has more sheep than people?

- A. Norway
- B. Iceland
- C. Sweden
- D. Finland

👉 Correct answer: B

3 question

What device was once called "X-Y position indicator"?

- A. Keyboard
- B. Mouse
- C. Screen
- D. Printer

👉 Correct answer: B

4 question

What belongs to you but others use it more than you?

👉 Answer: Your name

5 question

What gets wetter the more it dries?

👉 Answer: A towel

6 question

What has keys but cannot open doors?

👉 Answer: A keyboard or piano

7 question

Which month has 28 days?

👉 Answer: All months

Round 5 – Bonus Round

Heracles / Hercules yes-no questions and Lithuania vs Latvia comparison

Part 1 – Yes / No

Did Heracles defeat the Nemean lion?

👉 YES

Did he fight Medusa?

👉 NO

Did he fight the Minotaur?

👉 NO

Did he complete 12 labours?

👉 YES

Part 2 – Lithuania vs Latvia

Which country has a larger population?

👉 Lithuania

Which country has a larger territory?

👉 Latvia

Which country adopted the Euro earlier?

👉 Latvia

Facilitator's Role and Engagement



Facilitator's Role

The facilitator is the heart and soul of the quiz — they ensure everything runs smoothly and participants feel comfortable.

- **Clearly explains the rules**

So everyone understands how to play

- **Maintains a positive atmosphere**

Keeping energy and enthusiasm high throughout

- **Manages time**

So the quiz fits within the planned duration

- **Reads the questions**

Clearly and understandably

- **Provides brief explanations**

After each round

- **Encourages participation**

Inviting everyone to contribute

Engaging All Participants

This method is especially effective because of its **engagement principles**, which ensure that every participant feels valued and able to contribute.



Mixed questions

Combining easier and more challenging questions so everyone can achieve success



Teamwork

Collaboration allows everyone to contribute their unique knowledge and skills



Simple language

Avoiding complex terminology so it is accessible to everyone



Including everyone

Actively inviting all participants to join discussions and decisions



Adaptability

Can be easily adjusted to different learning levels and needs

Evaluation and Reflection

After the quiz, it is important to carry out **reflection** — this ensures a lasting learning impact and participant engagement.

What did you learn?

New knowledge and understanding about democracy and civic engagement

What surprised you?

Unexpected facts or newly discovered connections between ideas

Was it interesting?

The effectiveness of the method and the participants' experience

Would you take part again?

Overall satisfaction and willingness to continue

Impact and Sustainability

How does this change young people?

This methodology helps young people not only gain knowledge, but also **start taking action** as citizens.

Their voice matters

Builds confidence that their opinion has value

Understand processes

Long-term understanding of democratic processes and systems

Active in society

Begin participating in various community activities

Lasting engagement

Creates a foundation for ongoing civic participation

How can it continue?

This methodology is **easily adaptable** to a variety of situations and can be used for a long time.

Where can it be used?

- Schools
- Youth centers
- Municipalities
- Erasmus+ projects
- Community events

How can it be adapted?

- Online quizzes (Kahoot)
- Workshops and hands-on sessions
- Debates and discussions

Key Conclusions

Inclusive methodology

Game-based learning and teamwork make civic education engaging

Effective

500+ participants confirmed the methodology's effectiveness

Adaptable

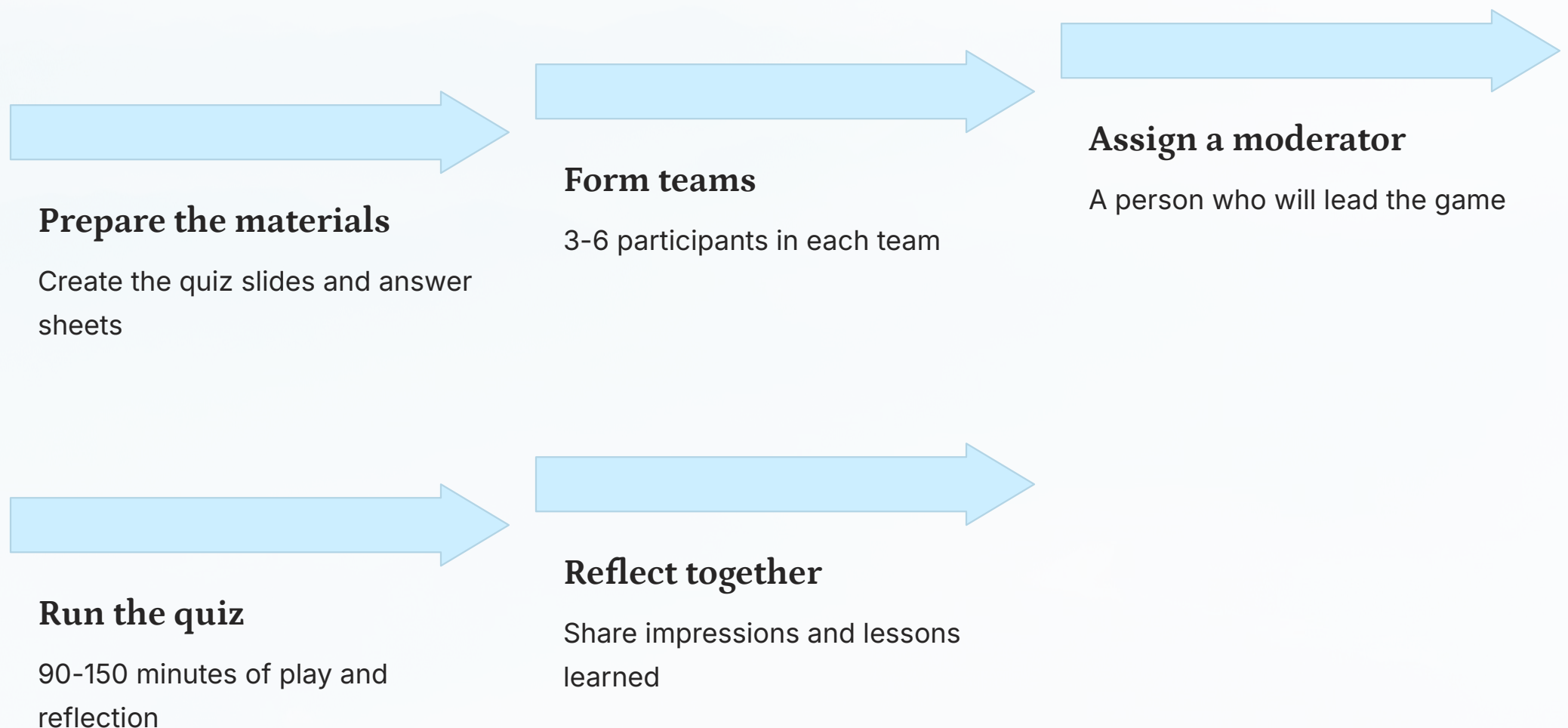
Easy to adapt for different groups and situations

Long-lasting

A sustainable method that can be used for years

Democracy Quiz Battle is not just a test of knowledge, but also a way to give young people the confidence to become active citizens. Every quiz is a step toward a better society.

How to get started?



Good luck on your democracy journey! 🇪🇺