## **European Economic Community**

## Background

Rationalism has not had a strong showing in History 12.

International organizations, international laws, and international cooperation seem a world removed from the story of the Twentieth Century.

We have learned a different story. . a story about power and the pursuit of national interests.

We are discovering that international cooperation is often used as smoke show for national ambition.

Things are about to change in the Twentieth Century!

We have already seen a glimmer of change when the United Nations sent peacekeepers into the Suez Crisis.

Today, the European Economic Community will provide even more evidence of international cooperation succeeding in the real world.

## Assignment

1) Identify the motives behind the formation of the European Economic Community.

2) Complete the following chart on the steps leading to the formation of the EEC.

	Goals
Council of Europe, 1949	
Schuman Plan, 1950	
European Coal and Steel Community, 1952	
European Defense Community	
Euratom, 1957	

3) Why did Great Britain refuse to join the European Coal and Steel Community?

4) Why did Great Britain refuse to join the Euratom?

5) What was the European Economic Community's stated goal in 1958?

6) Why did De Gaulle block the British entry into the EEC in 1961?

7) Why did De Gaulle block the British entry into the EEC in 1967?

8) How did the EEC change in 1973?