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Introduction: Activity 1 – Where are the EU countries?

Follow the instructions below:

1. Click **HERE** to open up a coloured, interactive map in a new window.
2. Click **HERE** to download and print your blank Europe map.
3. Give your colouring map a name (e.g. Countries of the EU).
4. On your colouring map, label and colour blue all the countries that are **FOUNDING MEMBERS** of the EU. These countries started the EU in the 1950s. The linked country pages can help you find this information.
5. Label and colour all the countries that joined the EU in 1973 red.
6. Label and colour all the countries that joined the EU in 1981 green.
7. Label and colour all the countries that joined the EU in 1986 purple.
8. Label and colour all the countries that joined the EU in 1995 orange.
9. Now, label and colour all the countries that joined the EU on May 1, 2004 yellow.
10. Lastly, label and colour the countries that joined on January 1, 2007 brown.

Now, answer the following questions:

1. Look at the countries that joined the EU in 2004. Geographically, where are most of these countries in relation to the rest of the EU member states?

2. Which countries on the map are **NOT** in the European Union? Where are **MOST** of these countries located geographically, in relation to the EU member states that joined the EU in 2004 and 2007?