Bibliography and sources for your PPT

You will need to include a list of the sources you used to create your presentation. As a place to start online, the CIA Fact book has some good basic information; individual countries also have informative websites and EUROPA also has links to member countries. Good travel guides often have information on the social and cultural aspects of the countries; for example, the Lonely Planet on the web has some neat information on individual countries.

Presentation

You are expected to develop a power point presentation for the class that includes the highlights of what you have learned about your country and what the class should know about how your country fits into the European Union. The power point obviously will include a map, the flag, scenery, statistics etc as well as a text outline and should last about 15 to 20 minutes.

Content of Report

Information should be gathered on the history, social and cultural life including famous writers and artists, favorite foods, sports and vacation spots, economy, GDP and GDP per capita, imports and exports, and military preparedness and spending as well as health and health care, literacy, life expectancy and religious beliefs. You should note if there are sizeable minorities in the countries, where they live, discuss the educational system, etc. Obviously you will have some statistics, but the PPT should provide an outline to guide you in presenting your information. Don’t forget that good map of the country showing the principal cities, ports, rivers, and mountain ranges but don’t get bogged down

Summary

The last part of the PPT should include an assessment of why the country wanted to be part of the EU, what the country has gained from EU membership. How the people of the country feel about membership in the EU and finally, what role the country is likely to play in the future of the EU. There is at least one website Euro barometer that can help you with statistics containing information on popular opinion in member countries regarding the EU.