

Answers

1. **Since then, it has been celebrated annually across Europe on 26th September.**

Which of these words has the same meaning as **annually**? Tick one.

- ☐ daily
☐ monthly
☒ **yearly**
☐ scarcely

2. What do the Council of Europe and the European Union believe? Tick **two**.

- ☒ **Languages in Europe should be celebrated.**
☐ Languages spoken in Europe should be forgotten.
☐ People in Europe should speak fewer than two languages.
☒ **Language skills are necessary for everyone.**

3. Draw **four** lines and complete each sentence.

It has never been easier to talk to...	2001.
Europe is shared by...	people around the globe.
The event was first celebrated in...	learn a new language.
No one is too old to...	50 countries.

4. In which **two** continents can part of Russia be found? Tick **two**.

- ☐ North America
☒ **Europe**
☒ **Asia**
☐ Antarctica

5. Fill in the missing numbers.

There are over **6,000** languages spoken worldwide.

More than **200** of these come from Europe alone.

6. Look at the sub-headings used throughout the text.
Find and copy one word which means 'made'.

created

7. Summarise what you have learnt about the European Day of Languages using 20 words or fewer.

Pupils' own responses, such as: It is a day to celebrate the range of languages spoken in Europe to make sure that they aren't forgotten.

8. Why do you think that the author chose to include the section **Why Should I Learn a New Language?**

Pupils' own responses, such as: I think that the author might have included this section because the Council of Europe wants everyone to learn a new language but the reader might not understand the benefit of it until the author explains.