



2. A) United by the same goal

When we talk about harmony between nations, one organization springs to mind: the UN. The following questionnaire will let you test your knowledge of this international organization.

a) Circle the letter before each correct answer. Then, copy that letter at the bottom of the page to spell out the mystery word.

What does the acronym 'UN' stand for?

- p) Universal Nationality
- l) Union of Nations
- m) United Nations
- a) Unity Nationwide

For what purpose was the UN created?

- h) To preserve world peace
- t) To protect the environment
- c) To promote multiculturalism
- n) To fight poverty and diseases

When was the UN created?

- s) 1901
- y) 1945
- v) 1967
- o) 2001

How many countries are UN members today?

- b) 51
- f) 137
- r) 192
- g) 271

More than thirty UN-affiliated organizations are gathered under what is called "the UN system". Among the following, which organization is not part of this system?

- n) Oxfam
- j) UNESCO
- w) The World Health Organization (WHO)

t) The World Meteorological Organization (WMO)

Six official languages are in use at the United Nations. Which of the following is not?

- e) English
- y) French
- g) Spanish
- k) Chinese
- a) Japanese
- s) Russian
- m) Arabic

The UN has offices in several cities, including those below. In which of these cities are the UN headquarters located?

- o) New York City
- v) Vienna
- l) Geneva
- a) Bangkok

b) Unscramble the letters you have copied below to find the mystery word. (Tip: it's also the theme of the 2007-2008 edition of La Dictée P.G.L.)

Letters found: _ _ _ _ _

The mystery word is: _ _ _ _ _

Answers: a) m, h, y, r, n, a, o; b) harmony.