## Topic 3

# Economic Issues Affect Cooperation between Germany, the European Union, and Other Nations

### Lesson 3

## Focus Question Three

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# Step #3: Application

#### Strategy: Compare and Contrast

■ Why do trade issues cause economic conflict between the U.S. and the EU?

#### **Activities**

Distribute **Handout #22:** Topic 3, Lesson 3 (U.S., European Union Toe-To-Toe Over Trade Issues) for students to read. The article outlines seven areas of dispute between the US and the EU.

The teacher should make copies of **Teacher Resource #6:** Topic 3, Lesson 3 (Sore Points) and review the key issues with students.

Ask students to use this information to complete **Worksheet #4:** Topic 3, Lesson 3 (Comparing Positions). In addition to allowing for an examination of each issue from the U.S. perspective and the EU perspective, this worksheet solicits the opinion of student.

#### ✓ Check for Understanding

FOCUS QUESTION #3: Why do trade issues cause economic conflict between the U.S. and the EU?

Research one of the "Sore Points" in trade between the EU and the U.S.

How might the issue be resolved to the benefit of both trade partners?