#### Friends at home, Friends abroad



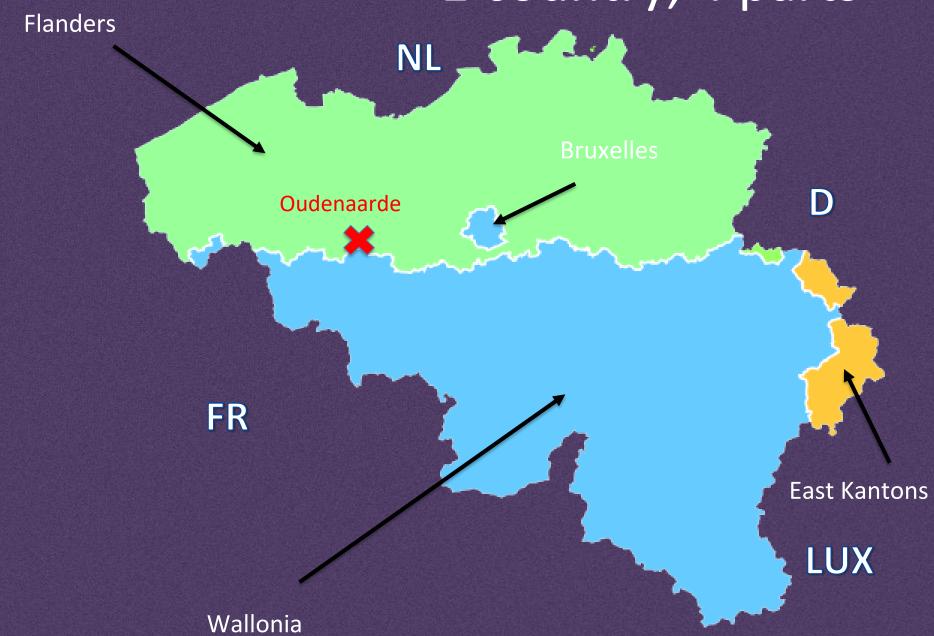




# Short introduction to Belgium



## 1 country, 4 parts



#### 1 country, 3 languages

11 million inhabitants

60% speaks Flemish (Dutch)

• 39% speaks French

• 1% speaks German







#### 1 country 5 (6?) governments

National government



- Flemish government
- Bruxelles government
- Walloon government



German speaking government







#### **Education system**

- \* 2,5-6 years : kindergarten
- \* 6-12 years : primary school
- \* 12-18 years : secondary school (3 levels)
- \* 18-... years: High school (bachelor) or University (master)

All teachers in kindergarten, primary and lower secondary (4 years) have a bachelor degree.

Teachers in higher secondary (5th and 6th year) have a masters degree.

#### What Belgium has to offer.





- > 1000 different beers
- > more than 115 breweries

Neuhaus invented the praline in 1912

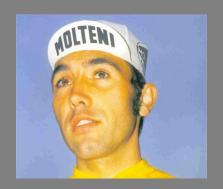


French fries ?????

### Famous people













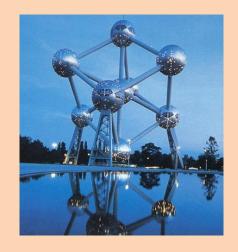
#### **Tourism**













#### **SUMMER FESTIVALS**



#### Oudenaarde









#### **KBO Volkegem**

- KBO = group of 13 schools, located in Oudenaarde (province East Flanders)
- KBO Volkegem = small school in a rural area.
  Children age 2,5 till 12 year (150 pupils)
- Changed into a Montessori school in 2010. The new name 'Sterrenkijker' means 'Telescope'
- Kindergarten: 3 classes
- Primary school: group 1,2,3 (3 classes)
  - group 4,5,6 (2 classes)































#### Montessori

































# Welcome in April 2020

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