

**Q.1: Make a précis of the following passage and suggest a suitable title:**

Generally, European trains still stop at borders to change locomotives and staff. This is often necessary. The German and French voltage systems are incompatible. Spain—though not Portugal—has a broad-gauge track. English bridges are lower than elsewhere, and passengers on German trains would need a ladder to reach French platforms, twice as high as their own. But those physical constraints pale in comparison to an even more formidable barrier—national chauvinism. While officials in Brussels strive for an integrated and efficiently run rail network to relieve the Continent's gorged roads and airways, and cut down on pollution, three member countries—France, Germany and Italy—are working feverishly to develop their own expensive and mutually incompatible high-speed trains.

## Various Railway Systems of Europe

"European trains still stop at borders due to differences in engines, voltage systems, gauges, and platform heights. These variations are due to national chauvinism. There is hindrance in the creation of a unified rail system. Despite efforts from EU officials to establish an integrated network, France, Germany and Italy are focused on developing their own incompatible high-speed trains."