1 Make sure you understand the meaning of the highlighted words.

2 Explain the meaning of the following:

to lay sth down
to attain a consent
as a last resort
to take action
competitive disadvantage
supplementary obligations
to take account of
joint action
to draw sth up
to arise from
in compliance with

3 Fill in the gaps. There is always one word per gap. 1 Citizens of the Union shall enjoy the rights and be subject the duties provided for in the Treaties.
2 This was approved by the Council, acting unanimously accordance with a special legislative procedure and after consulting the European Parliament.
3 way of derogation from the procedure laid in Articles 258 and 259, the Commission may bring the matter before the Court of Justice of the European Union.
4 Other Member States shall not be required, pursuant Article 116, to amend their own provisions.
5 (with the exception of) where otherwise provided in the Treaties, the following provisions shall apply.
6 A state desiring to introduce or amend its own provisions need comply the recommendation addressed to it by the Commission.

4 Complete the table

Noun	Verb	Adjective	Negative Adjective
	attain		
XXX	XXX	compatible	
	enter	XXX	XXX
pursue			XXX
	reinforce	XXX	XXX
		efficient	
		efficient appreciable	
		similar	