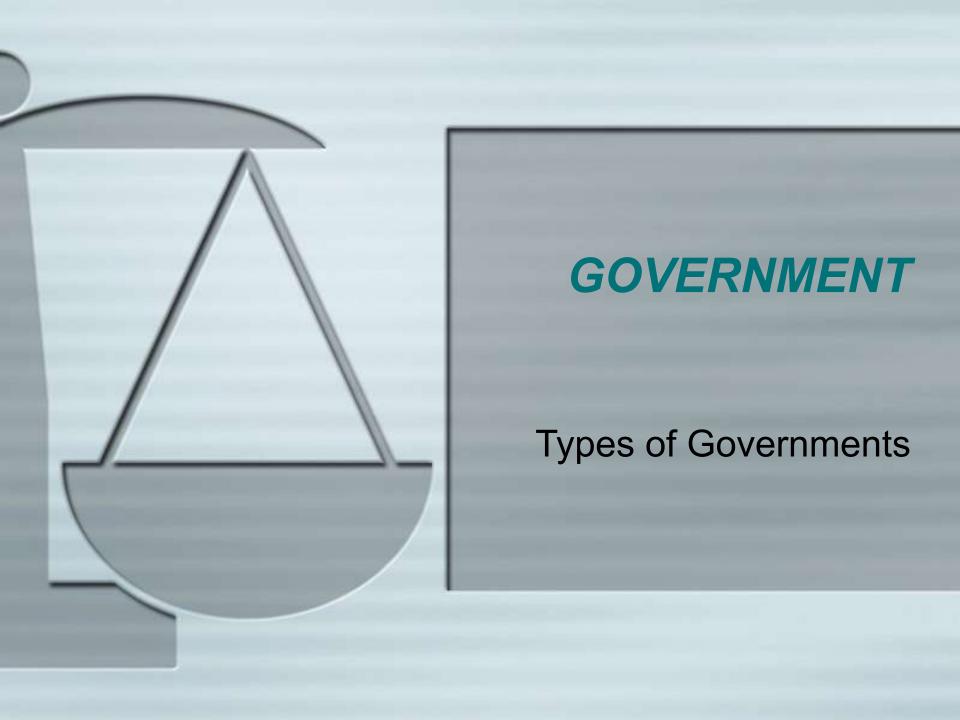


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- Keeps order



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Four common types are:

- Monarchy
- Dictatorship
- Democracy
- Theocracy

Democracy





In a democracy, the government is elected by the people. Everyone who is eligible to vote has a chance to have their say over who runs the country. It is distinct from governments controlled by a particular social class or group



 A democracy is determined either directly or through elected representatives.

Direct Democracy



- People vote directly on every issue
- Only practical in a small community



Representative Democracy



- People are represented by elected officials
- Used in large countries
- Also known as a Republic government



Monarchy





- Power is in the hands of a king, queen, emperor or empress.
- The ruling position can be passed on to the ruler's heirs.
- In some traditional monarchies, the monarch has absolute power.
- But a constitutional monarchy, like the UK, also has a democratic government that limits the monarch's control.

Dictatorship





 A country ruled by a single leader. The leader has not been elected and may use force to keep control.

In a military dictatorship, the army is in control.

Theocracy



- Governmental rulers are identical with the leaders of the dominant religion
- Governmental policies are either identical with or strongly influenced by the principals of the majority religion.
- Government claims to rule on behalf of God or a higher power



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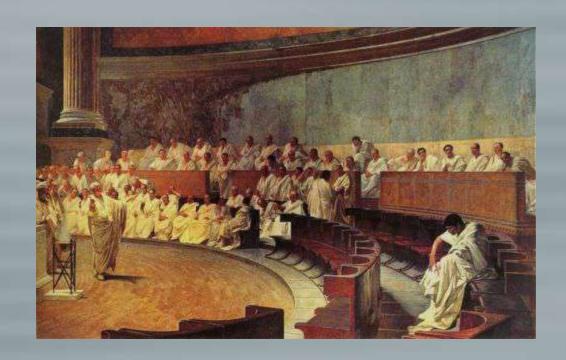


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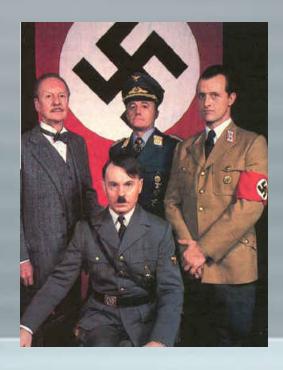


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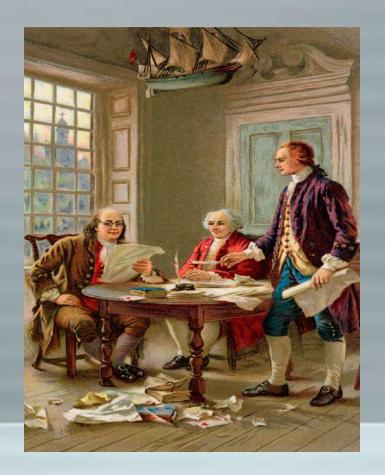


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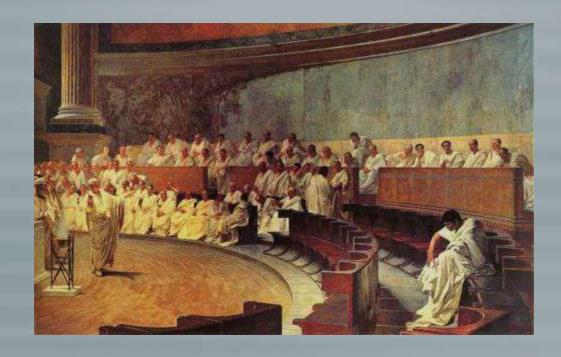
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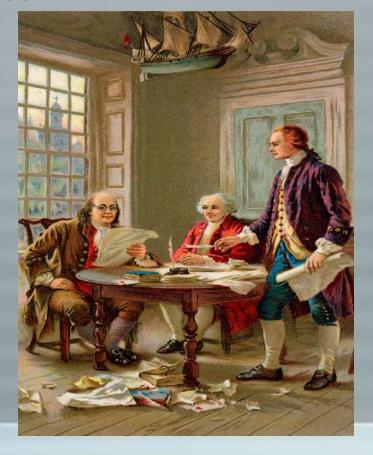
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