Government

Government Notes, Week 1

1. Government: The rule makers and rule enforcers in a group.
2. Sovereignty: Final decision making ability in a group.
3. Political: The process of getting what you want in a group.
4. Liberties: The things the government of a group agree it does not get to decide. (Freedom)

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Monarchy

- Symbolic Monarch- No power; they are just there to remind people of the country's past.
- Constitutional Monarchy- A king or queen who have to follow rules set by the people they rule.
- Absolute Monarchy: King or queen has all the power in the government
- Which is authoritarian or representative?

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Dictatorship: One person or group makes all the decisions.

Oligarchy: A small group uses the government to help themselves.

Sometimes, dictatorships and oligarchies lie and say they are democracies. Be careful when you analyze a country's government.

Government Notes, Week 2

-Representative: To stand as an example of. Tries to do what the people want.

-Authoritarian: Gets to boss; people don't choose

-Citizen: A person who belongs to a country who has to follow the rules and gets to participate in government stuff.

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Democracy

-The people decide how they are ruled.

Direct-Everybody decides every government decision

Representative-People send a person to run the government how they think it should be run.

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Not all democracies are equal.

Democracies can be different in who gets to vote, how much they get to decide, , and how much the government listens.

Theocracy-the government enforces rules about religion.

Theocracies can be authroitarian or representative.

They can be democracies, disctatorships or monarchies.

Iran is a theocracy.

Government Compare/ Contrast

Copy the chart on your paper: Pretty or ugly; I don't care as long as all the information is there.

Read the handout.

Ask yourself:

C1 Is this government one where most people choose or just a few? (that is authoritarian or representative. C2 Look for who holds power. C3 Ask yourself if these people have freedom to do as they choose in some things. C4 Create a word or picture definition. C5 Find a real world example.

Turn it in.