DEMOCRACY, STATE AND SOCIETY

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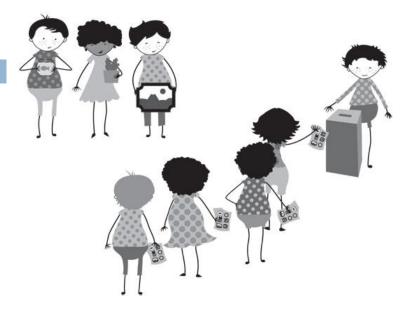
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Democracy

- Democracy is a form of government in which all eligible citizens have an equal say in the decisions that affect their lives.
- Democracy allows people to participate equally
- Greek term "rule of the people", "people" and "power"







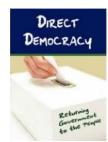


Types of Democracy

 Oligarchy or Aristocracy is power held by one, as in a Monarchy, or where power is held by a small number of individuals



Direct Democracy= in which citizens have direct and active participation in the decision making of the government.



Representative Democracy = citizens remain the sovereign power but political power is exercised indirectly through elected representatives

State

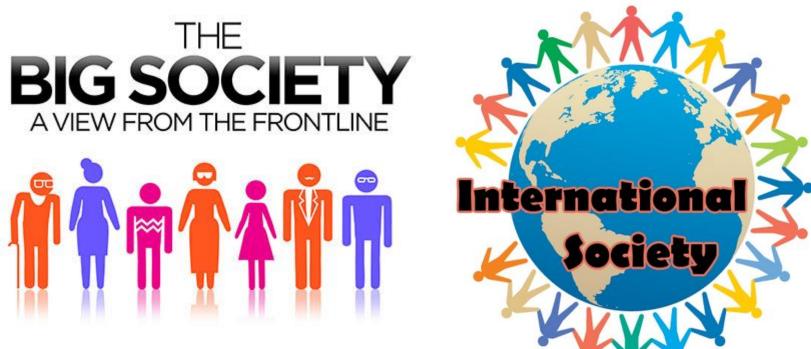
- State commonly refers to either condition of a system, or to a governed entity.
- Set of institutions that possess the authority and power to establish the rules governing a society, having internal and external sovereignty over a given territory.





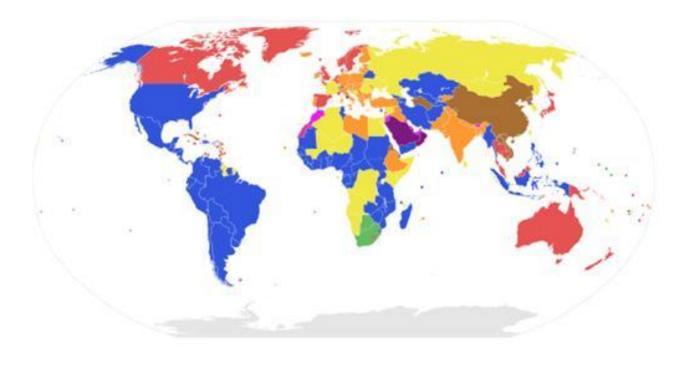
Society

A society= group of sharing the same geographical or virtual territory, subject to the same political authority and dominant cultural expectations.



http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Society

FORMS OF DEMOCRACY DEPENDING ON THE COUNTRY



Presidential republics	Semi-presidential republics
Radiamentary republics	Single-party republics
Parliamentary constitutional monarchies	Absolute monarchies
Military dictatorships	Parliamentary constitutional monarchies in which the monarch personally exercises power
Republics with an executive president dependent on a parliament	Countries which do not fit any of the above systems