

# Society, State & Democracy

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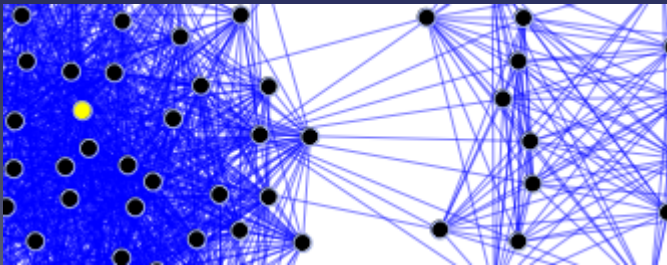
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# Society

- ⊙ **Human society** is a group of people related to each other through persistent relations.

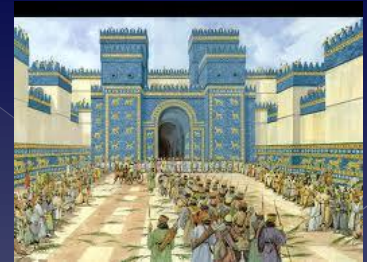
**NOTE:** it can be a large group that shares something in common.



(geographical territory)

# Types of societies

- **Hunter:** gatherer bands.
- **Tribal:** limited social ranks and prestige.
- **Stratified:** use of chieftains.
- **Civilization:** with complex structure, and institutional government.



# State

## ◎ What is it?

It is an organized political community living under a government.



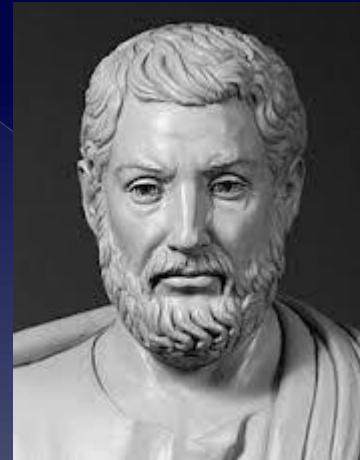
# Democracy

- It is a form of government in which all eligible citizens have an *equal say* in the decisions that affect their lives.
- In modern times, the democracies have the 1<sup>st</sup> characteristic of a democracy: the **vote**.
- Vote is used as the word of the people.
- **Greek:** δημοκρατία (*dēmokratía*) “rule of the people”.



# History of Democracy

- Appeared in **ancient Greece**- political and philosophical thought - in the city-state of **Athens**.
- Athenians established what is generally held as the first democracy in **508-507 BCE** by **Cleisthenes**.





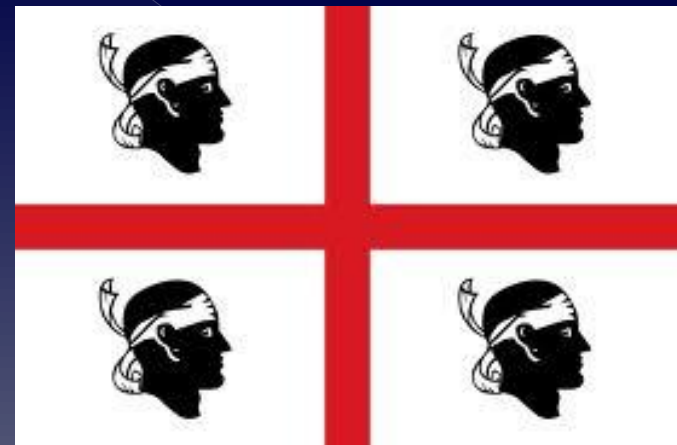
# Middle age

- By the **Middle Age** it was almost deleted because of the Monarchy and all those beliefs that were involved.



# Returned

- **1620**-In North America, the English Puritan who established colonies in New England whose governance was democratic.
- **1755**-Corsican Republic and its Democratic Constitution.





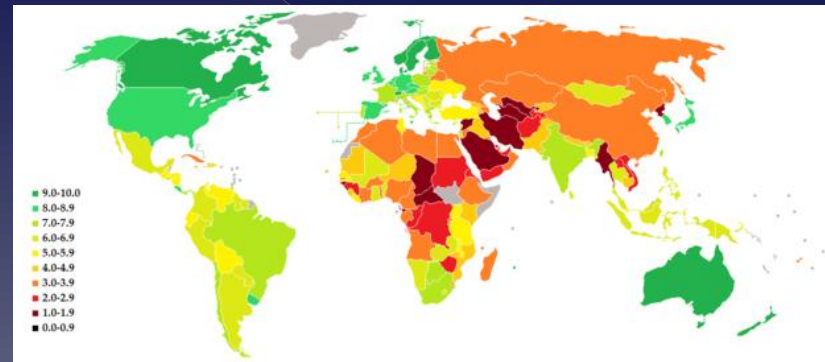
# French Revolution and it goes on and on.

- 1789-France adopted the **Declaration of the Rights of Man and of the Citizen**, and the **National Convention**.
- 1789-2011-This was a period with a lot of revolutions for fair governments, looking for democracy.



# 20<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup> Century

- After **WWI** and **WWII** a lot of people had been against communism and socialism, and adapted the idea that the best form of government is Democracy. Obviously there are some exceptions like: Cuba, China, Venezuela, and some others.
- But nowadays almost 88% of governments are democratic.



# 100 % democratic governments

- 1. Norway
- 2. Iceland
- 3. Denmark
- 4. Sweden
- 5. New Zealand



- 6. Australia
- 7. Switzerland
- 8. Canada
- 9. Finland
- 10. Netherlands

- 11. Luxembourg
- 12. Ireland
- 13. Austria
- 14. Germany
- 15. Malta



- 16. Czech Republic
- 17. Uruguay
- 18. United Kingdom
- 19. United States
- 20. Costa Rica

- 21. Japan
- 22. South Korea
- 23. Belgium
- 24. Mauritius
- 25. Spain

